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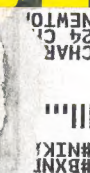
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# Welcome to the Past and Presents

As we take down our free Angelo's Pizza 2004 calendars off our walls and replace them with the 2005 edition, we here at Nick Mag have started thinking about the past. No, not what happened this year, but a few thousand years ago. And who, in December, can think of the past without thinking about...presents? Lots of presents! So rip open this issue, check out our Past and Presents sections, and hopefully, you won't have to return them in the future.

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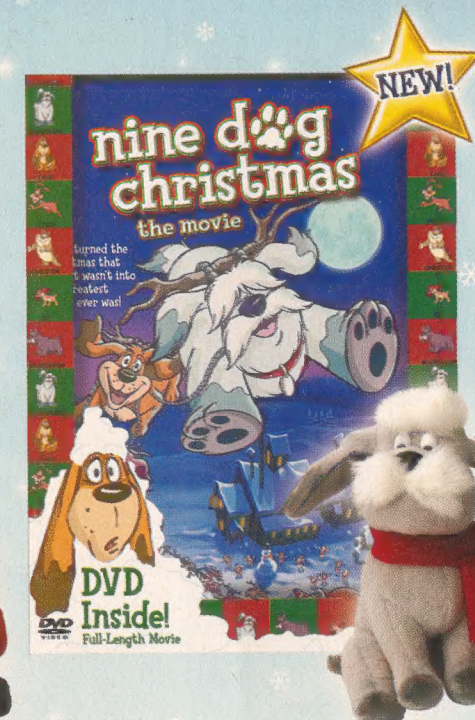
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2 This dog is our roving reporter, Zelda Van Gutters.

I shed light on important topics throughout the issue.

3 a. We thought we'd all wear togas while working on this issue, but once we saw what we looked like, we gave up on the idea.  
b. Our page numbers are Roman numerals and we're still not sure we got them all right.

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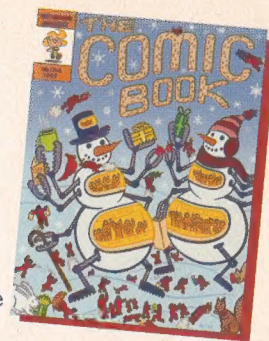
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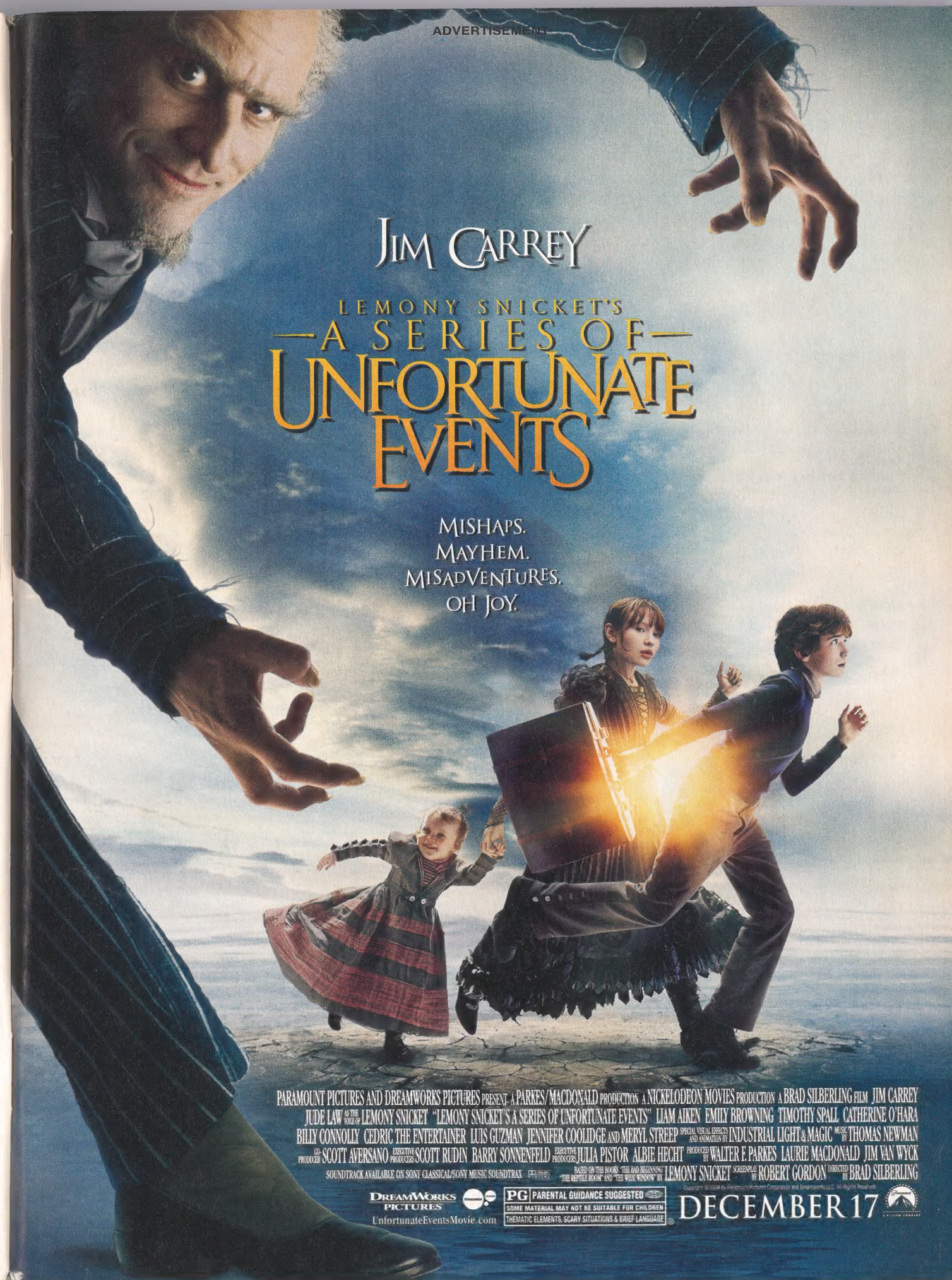
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The newsstand edition of this issue (sold at a higher price than usual) has a changing picture card glued to the cover. On it, Count Olaf (Jim Carrey) turns his head and laughs. If you didn't get a card but would like one, send us your name and address along with a check or money order (no cash) for \$1.50, payable to NICKELODEON MAGAZINE.



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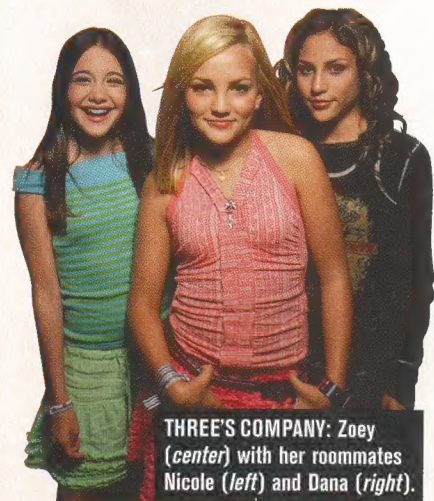
FIELD DAY: Zoey (second from left) and her pals.

## Zoey 101

Sunday, January 9, at 8 PM

All That's Jamie Lynn Spears stars in *Zoey 101*, a new show about a girl at Pacific Coast Academy—a boarding school that, until recently, was exclusively for boys. In the first episode, Zoey meets her roommates, Nicole and Dana, and gives basketball a shot against some nerve-racking odds. Get to know Zoey every Sunday in TEENick at 8 PM.

The *Zoey 101* show page is up and running on [nick.com](http://nick.com). Check it out for exclusive sneak peeks of the show, diary entries, and message boards.



THREE'S COMPANY: Zoey (center) with her roommates Nicole (left) and Dana (right).

Show airs one hour earlier in the central time zone. Show time is subject to change. Check [nick.com](http://nick.com) or local listings for details.

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## LETTERS to the EDITORS

### About the September issue

Dear Nick Mag,

I really liked "History Cheers" in "Back-to-School Tips." They helped a lot during one of my tests, but I got in trouble because I didn't realize that I was saying them out loud!

Tida S., age 13  
Covington, Washington

Dear Tida,

We're glad that we could help. Say this cheer to yourself before you take your next test:

*There's no need to cram  
To ace your next exam.*

*Just don't say our tips out loud  
And share them with the crowd.*

### About the October issue



Dear Nick Mag,

I feel insulted [after reading "Publick Library"]! Sure, the *Harry Potter* stuff was kinda funny, but when

I saw Meg Cabott's *The Princess Diarrheas*, I nearly exploded! I will be e-mailing Meg [Cabot, author of *The Princess Diaries*] ASAP! I am also considering e-mailing the authors of the many other good books!

Katherine G.  
Memphis, Tennessee

Dear Katherine,

We're sorry that "Publick Library" made you mad. A few librarians wrote to us with similar

comments. We weren't just picking on Meg Cabot. Everything in our issue got the gross touch—paint colors, history, *Real Simple* magazine, and *CSI*. Most kids loved our gross theme (see below), but we can understand if you thought we went too far.

Dear Nick Mag,

I liked your Gross Issue. My teacher screamed when I put the "An extra scoop of BOOGERS in every bite!" sticker on the front of her cereal box.

Jonathan E.  
via e-mail



Dear Nick Mag,

I tried eating while reading your Gross Issue and it was okay until I got to the scab prank! This Gross Issue was far grosser than the one two years ago!

Bethany  
via e-mail

And far tastier, too.



Dear Bethany,

Wait till you see the one two years from now. We're getting sick to our stomachs just thinking about it.

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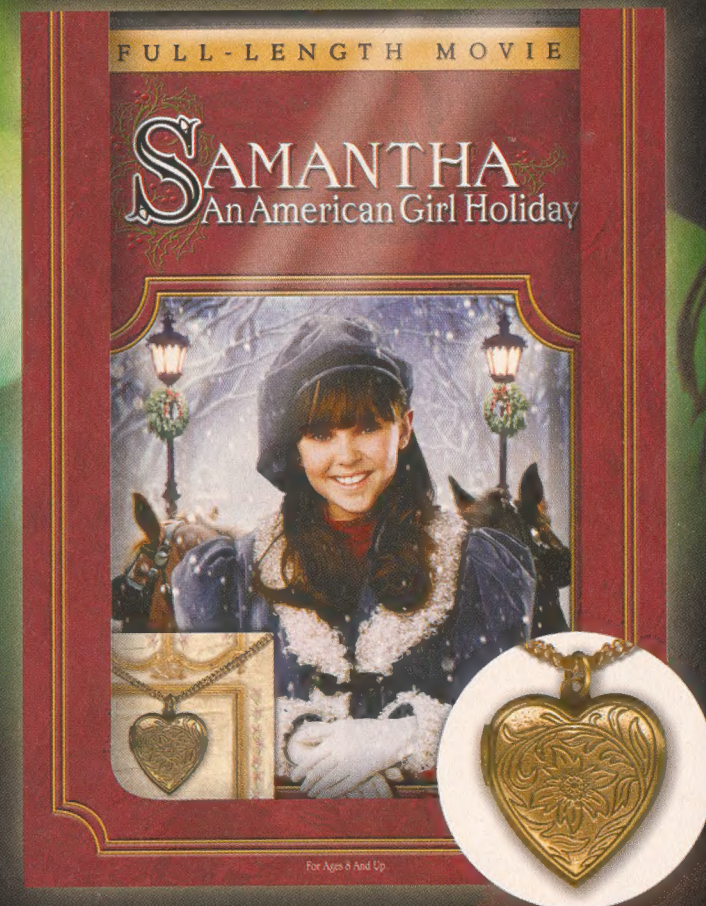
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# The <sup>Real</sup> CELEB PAGE

We asked these six stars about holiday shopping and traditions.



**Diana Taurasi**

of the Phoenix Mercury  
**What's your favorite holiday tradition?**

We barbecue for Christmas—we're from California!

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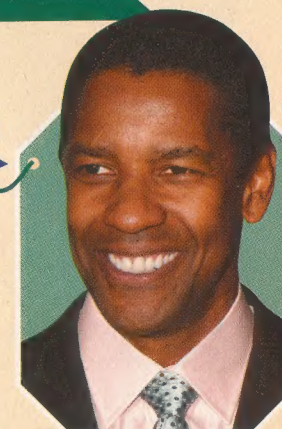


**Denzel Washington**

actor

**What's your favorite holiday tradition?**

[Listening to] my Nat King Cole Christmas album. The holiday doesn't start until I hear that.



**Beyoncé**

singer

**Who is the hardest person for you to shop for during the holidays?**

My whole family is hard. I always try to do something sentimental like write a song or get a picture painted—something that will really mean something.



**Mischa Barton**

of *The O.C.*

**What's your favorite holiday tradition?**

Decorating the tree. I get impatient, so we do it three weeks before Christmas.



**Julie Andrews**

of *The Princess Diaries*

**What's your favorite holiday tradition?**

On Christmas Day, the kids unwrap everything and rip it apart, but we save one gift for the end. We call it a tree gift,

because it has to be very small and fit in the tree. It means there's something to anticipate.



**Hugh Jackman**

actor

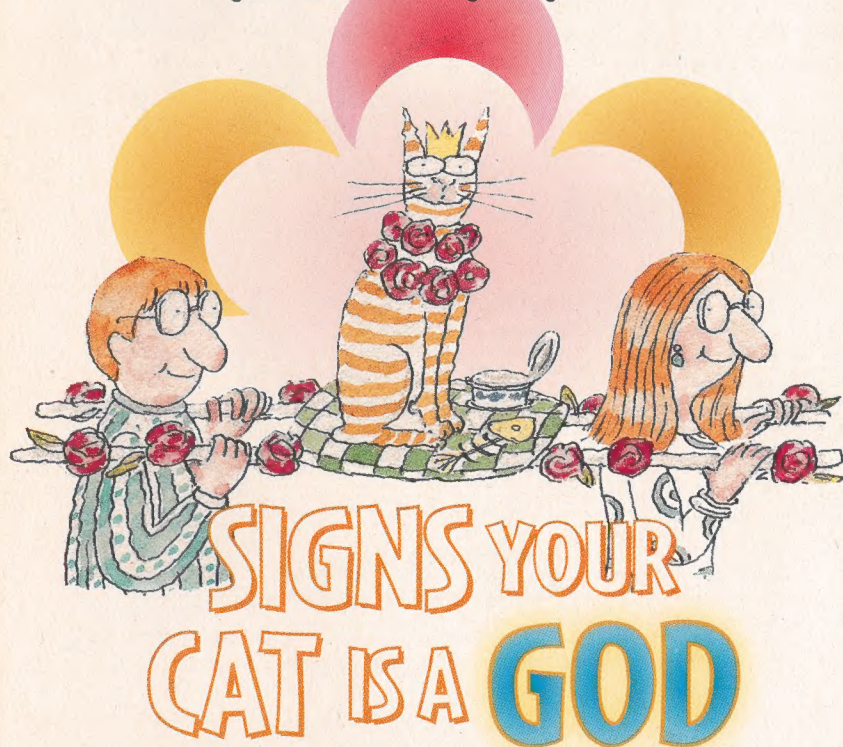
**Who is the hardest person for you to shop for during the holidays?**

My wife, without a doubt. She's got much better taste than I do.



# shorts & briefs

All the stories that are too short or brief to print... yet we do anyway!



Some ancient Egyptian gods and goddesses took the form of cats. Here are clues that cats might *still* think that they are gods.

**They can destroy your world on a whim:** All it takes is one nail-sharpening session.

**They have extrasensory perception:** Don't even *think* about bringing them to the vet.

**They expect proper worship:** Keep their food bowl full or they will wake you up in the middle of the night.

**They can vanish and reappear almost magically:** Cats have an uncanny ability to find good hiding places in which to sleep the day away.

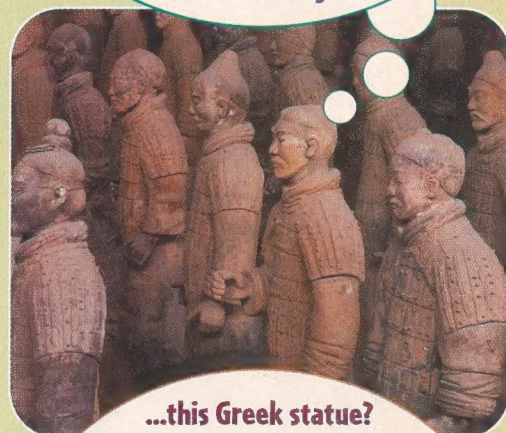
**They demand offerings:** You must give them food, gifts, and admiration to win their favor.

**They never lose their cool:** So don't even *try* to fluster them.

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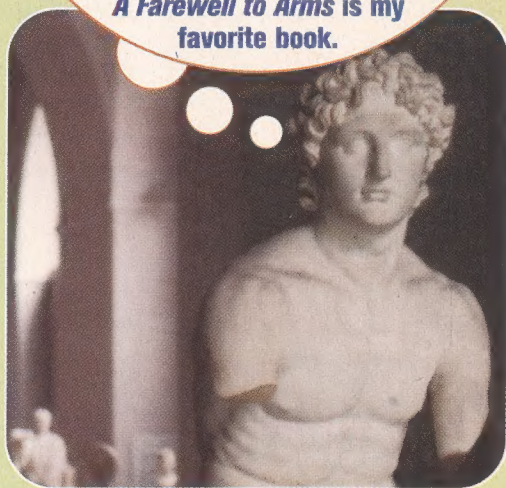
...this Chinese statue?

All this just to meet Ashton?  
This concert had better be good.  
I really have to go pee, but I don't want to lose this spot.  
Don't tell me you left the tickets at home *again*!  
What happened to my soda?  
We will rock you!

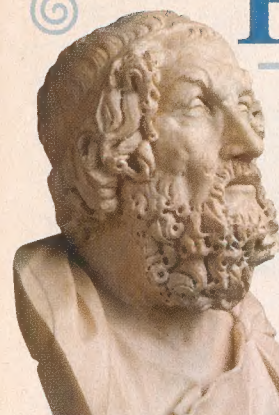


...this Greek statue?

I could use a hand over here.  
If I have to stand here any longer, something else will probably fall off.  
Feel these abs. That's right, rock hard!  
Let me just look at my watch and see what time it is—oh, wait, no arms.  
You should see the other guy!  
*A Farewell to Arms* is my favorite book.



## HOMER vs. HOMER



Over 2,500 years ago, a Greek poet named Homer wrote the *Iliad* and the *Odyssey*, two of the world's best-known works of literature. Seventeen years ago, a doofus named Homer Simpson made his first appearance on TV. Read on for a few more differences between these two famous Homers.



HOMER

HOMER SIMPSON

Wrote two of the world's longest epic poems.

Would like to eat the world's biggest hoagie.

Was blind.

Can't see his toes.

Had great writing chops.

Loves pork chops.

His birthplace is a mystery.

His IQ is a mystery.

His books have earned a lot of dough.

Says "D'oh" a lot.

Both the *Iliad* and the *Odyssey* are mixes of fact and fiction.

Most of Homer's stories are more fiction than fact.

## Huhroglyphics

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I really have to go pee, but I don't  
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Don't tell me you left the tickets  
at home again!  
What happened to my soda?  
We will rock you!



...this Greek statue?

I could use a hand over here.  
If I have to stand here any longer,  
something else will probably fall off.  
Feel those abs. That's right, rock hard!

## HOMER vs. HOMER



Over 2,500 years ago, a Greek poet named Homer wrote the *Iliad* and the *Odyssey*, two of the world's best-known works of literature. Seventeen years ago, a doofus named Homer Simpson made his first appearance on TV. Read on for a few more differences between these two famous Homers.



HOMER

HOMER SIMPSON

Wrote two of the world's longest epic poems.

Would like to eat the world's biggest hoagie.

Was blind.

Can't see his toes.

Had great writing chops.

Loves pork chops.

His birthplace is a mystery.

His IQ is a mystery.

His books have earned a lot of dough.

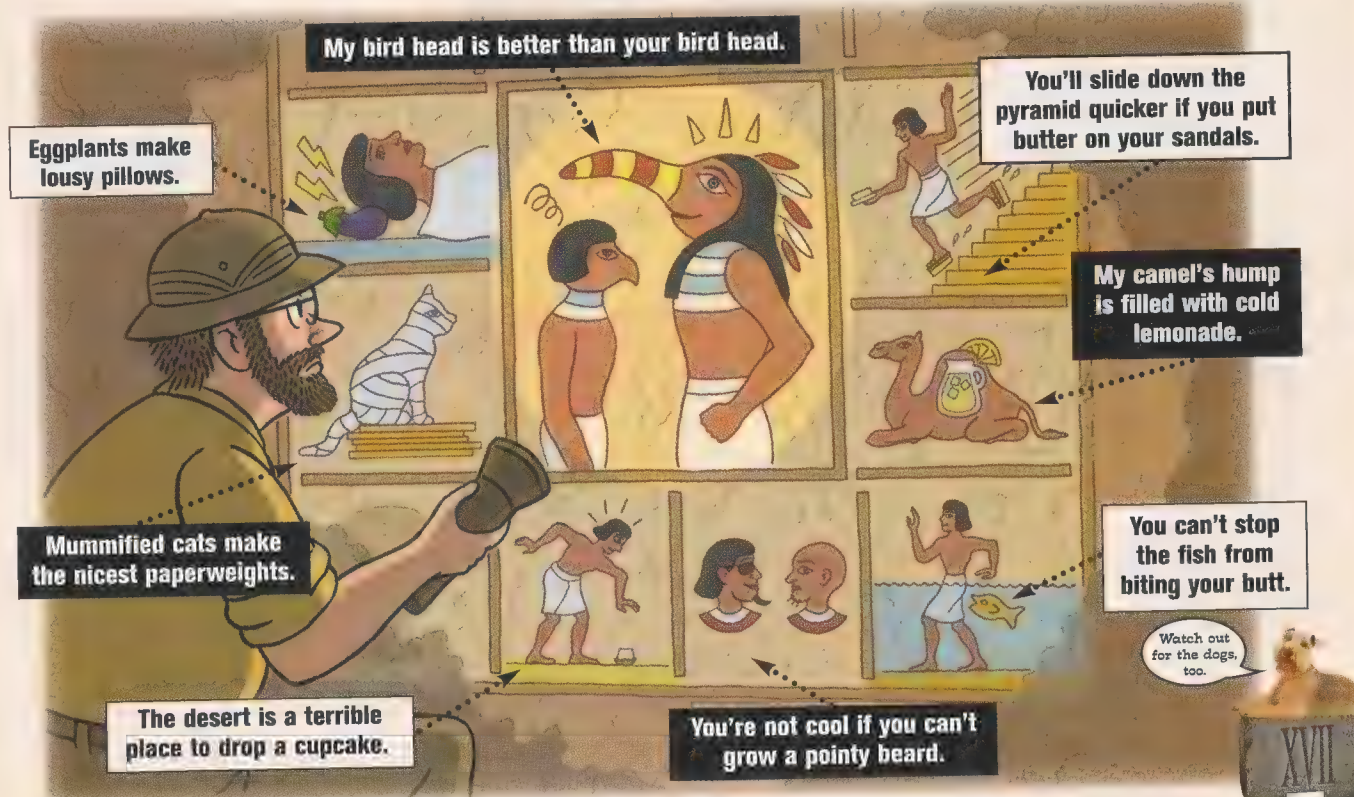
Says "D'oh" a lot.

Both the *Iliad* and the *Odyssey* are  
mixes of fact and fiction.

Most of Homer's stories are  
more fiction than fact.

## Huhroglyphics

Hieroglyphics tell us a lot about the advanced society of the ancient Egyptians.  
These don't.



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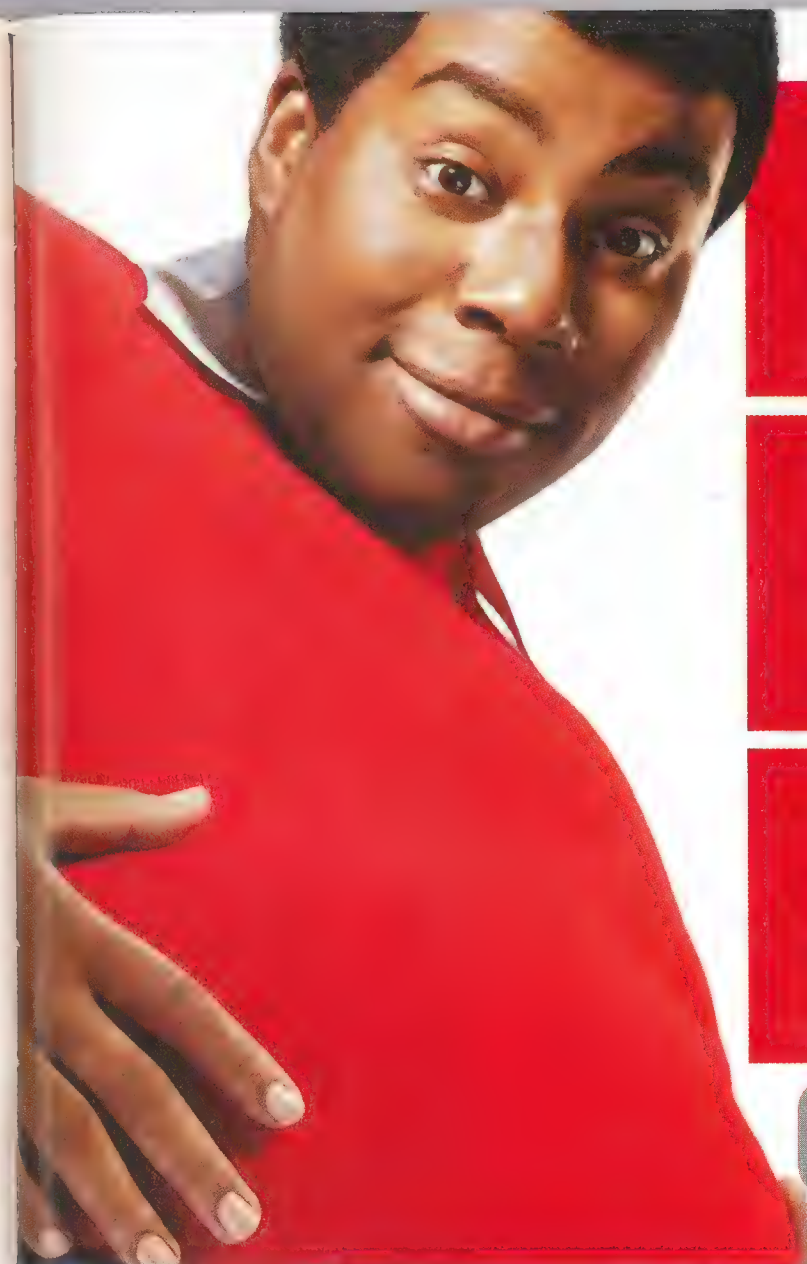
the world by sculpting food into interesting shapes.  
collecting extremely rare Yu-Gi-Oh! cards.  
performing a musical number called "If I Only Had a Planet."

But the creator was lonely because there was no one to talk to.  
laugh at. So it broke  
IM.

off a piece of pizza crust,  
the newly formed planet, and from that piece, created humans.  
a Kit Kat bar,

"These humans," the creator declared, "amuse me!"  
"are disgusting!"  
"remind me of chimpanzees, only not as hairy."

And that is the story of how the world came to be.  
my dad told me while we were stuck in traffic.  
of my idea for the school play. Like it?



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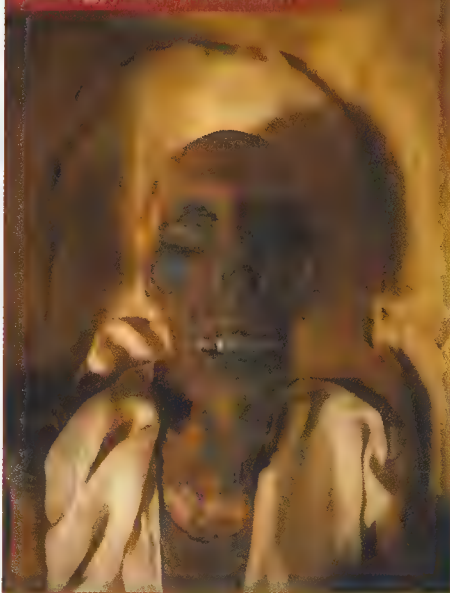


# WE WANT OUR MUMMIES!

Not all mummies are bandage-trailing pharaohs from ancient Egypt. A mummy is any old, dead body that has been preserved naturally or artificially. **Maria D. Rosado** unearthed these mummies from around the world.

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**ROYAL REMAINS:** The mummy of King Ramses II lies in the Mummy Room at the Egyptian Museum in Cairo.



## ANCIENT EGYPTIANS 3500 BC-AD 600

**Found in:** Egypt

**Who got mummified:**

Pharaohs, ordinary citizens, and animals were mummified. But pharaohs got the royal treatment. Their bodies were dried out for 40 days, given an oil and spice rubdown, wrapped in linen bandages, and placed in a gold coffin. Then they were buried in a pyramid tomb in the Valley of the Kings, an area along the Nile river.

Ordinary Egyptians were wrapped, then buried in crowded crypts or sand dunes.

**Why they did it:** Egyptians hoped their souls would recognize and be reunited with their old bodies so they could keep up their lifestyle in the afterlife.

**What they were buried with:** Amulets, gold trinkets, and precious stones were inserted between the layers of the royals' linen bandages. Nonroyals were buried with food, clothes, and furniture.

**Wrapping it up:** Egyptians mummified any animal they could catch, including crocodiles (*below*), hippos, and bulls. Cats (*right*) and dogs were especially popular. The Egyptians believed that the critters were favored by the gods.

That's popularity I don't need.



**DIG IT:** In 1983, researchers recovered the mummy of this Chinchorro woman and her family.



## CHINCHORROS 5050-1720 BC

**Found in:** Atacama Desert, Chile

**Who got mummified:** The Chinchorros, a fishing tribe that lived along the coast, mummified family members, then painted their bodies with a black tar-like substance or red mud. The mummies were capped with wigs and usually buried in the desert.

**Why they did it:** Archaeologists aren't sure. But the Chinchorros mummies were often repainted and repaired.

Scientists think that some mummies may have been brought home instead of buried, and treated like they were still living—fed, clothed, and even asked for advice.

**What they were buried with:** Fishing equipment, such as harpoons, baskets, and fishhooks, were found around some of the mummies at ancient cemeteries.

**Wrapping it up:** Although no one is sure why the Chinchorros mummified bodies, scientists think they may have learned how to do it from gutting and drying the fish they caught.

**MODEL BEHAVIOR:** This mummified monk sits in a Buddhist temple in Koh Samui, Thailand. Sunglasses conceal his dried-out eyeballs.



## BUDDHIST MONKS AD 700-1000

**Found in:** China, Japan, Thailand, and Vietnam

**Who got mummified:** Only elderly monks of the Buddhist religion were mummified. The monks began the mummifying process *before* they died by gradually cutting down on food and drink over the course of several years. As they prepared, the monks lived in underground rooms lit by smoky candles, which helped dry out their skin. After the religious leaders died, caretakers finished drying out their bodies.

**Why they did it:** The monks wanted their bodies to last as long as their eternal spirit.

**What they were buried with:** The religious leaders were wearing their robes.

**Wrapping it up:** Most of the mummies were seated in the lotus position, a classic Buddhist meditation pose. They were put in temples, where they could inspire their followers.

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## more WE WANT OUR MUMMIES!

### INCAS AD 1000-1500

#### Found in: Peru Who got mummified:

Wealthy Inca family members were usually mummified one by one, then stored in a tomb until everyone in the family was dead. They were then wrapped together in a brightly decorated bundle of fur, cloth, or leather.

**Why they did it:** The Incas perhaps thought that they would come back to their bodies someday.

**What they were buried with:** Corn, hand-painted cloth, copper masks, and war clubs were found at burial sites.



**BUNDLE UP:** Since 1998, archaeologists have discovered more than 1,000 mummy bundles in an ancient cemetery in Puruchuco, Peru. Scientists covered them up in a protective cloth.

**Wrapping it up:** Researchers are puzzled about why some bundles were topped with a fake head. The heads were made from a large knob of cloth painted with facial features and earrings. Many of them had wigs.

### BOG PEOPLE 400 BC-AD 400

#### Found in: Northern Europe

#### Who got mummified:

People who were thrown into bogs were turned into mummies accidentally. In a bog, peat (a kind of moss) produces an acid that kills flesh-eating bacteria.

**Why they did it:** Some archaeologists believe that bog bodies were sacrifices to gods. Other scientists think they were people being punished for crimes.

**What they were buried with:** People were found in whatever they had been wearing when they were tossed into the bog.



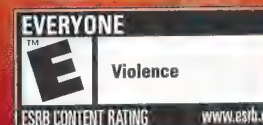
**Wrapping it up:** Tollund Man (above), found in a bog in Silkeborg, Denmark, is 2,400 years old. He's one of the best-preserved mummies in the world. □

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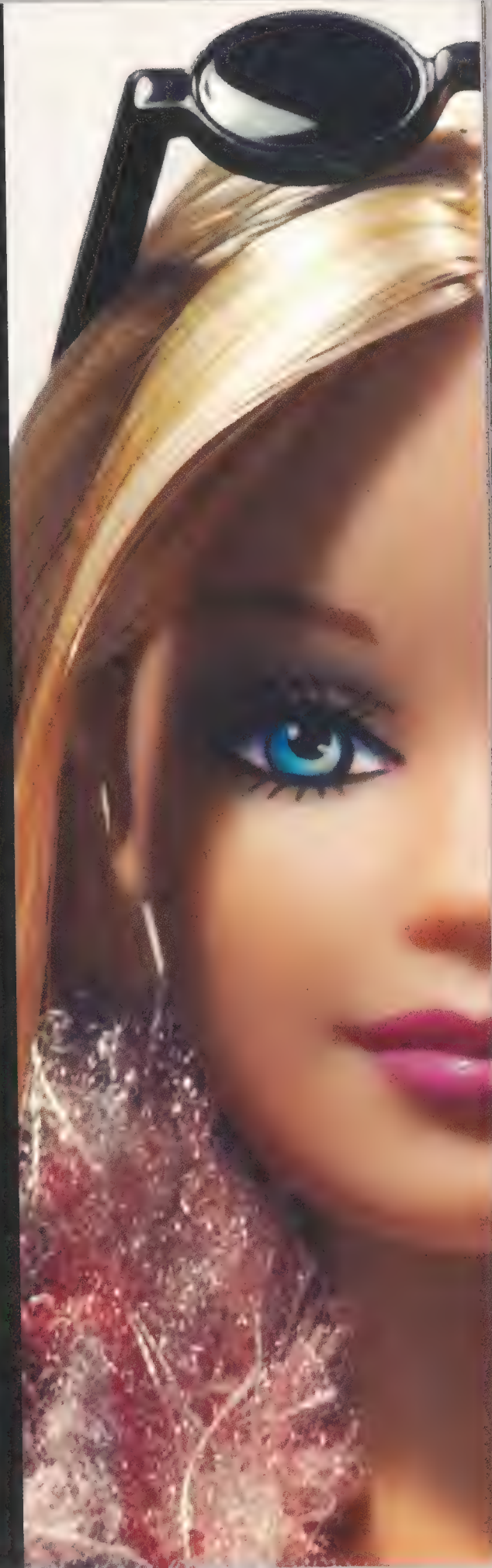
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# In One Era, Out the Other



Professor Wells, your teacher for Time Travel 101, has an extra-credit assignment for you: Hop in your time machine and visit four ancient civilizations.

At each stop, you'll solve a puzzle and get a key word. When you're back in the present, you'll use the four key words to get a special message from the professor. Your trip starts off in Sumer.

Answers on page 115.

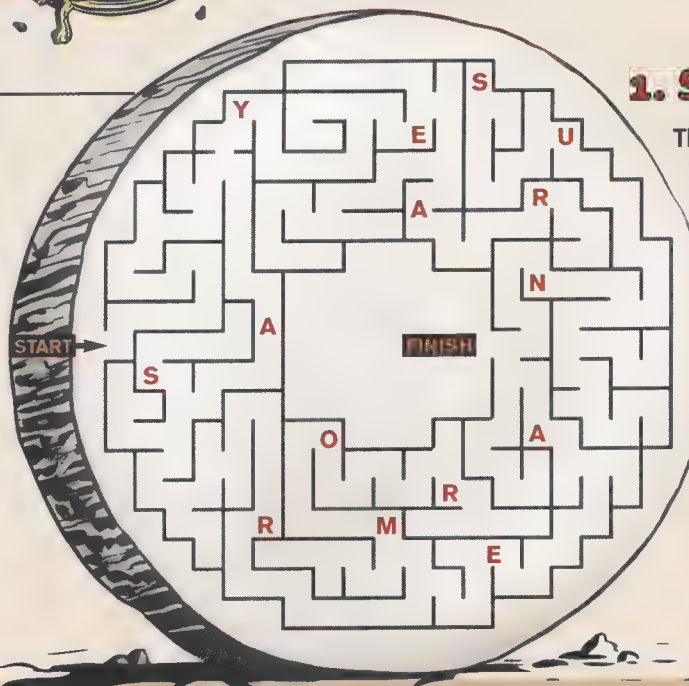
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## 1. SUMER

The Sumerians had a way with the wheel. They made vehicles for farming, transporting goods, and fighting enemies.

Solve this maze by finding the only path from START to FINISH. You can pass through any letters on the pathways. Once you have found the correct route, write down the letters you passed through in order. That's your key word.

Key word: \_\_\_\_\_



This was a wheel challenge.

SUMER  
3800–2000 BC

EGYPT  
3100–30 BC

## 2. EGYPT

The people of the Nile made some really big tombs.

This pyramid puzzle gets built from the top down. Take the answer to the top clue and add a letter to find the answer to the next clue. Keep doing this (sometimes you'll have to change the order of the letters) until you get the last answer at the base of the pyramid. That's your key word.

Key word: \_\_\_\_\_

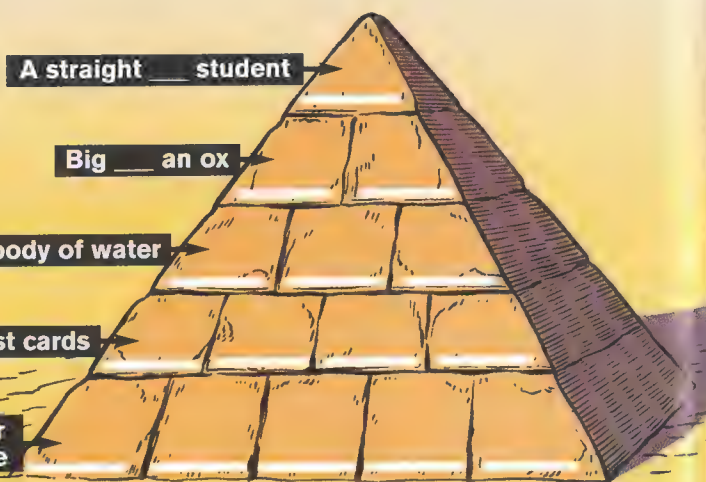
A straight \_\_\_\_\_ student

Big \_\_\_\_\_ an ox

A large body of water

Highest cards

Found on a fish or in a doctor's office



## 3. CENTRAL AMERICA

The Maya were excellent mathematicians and were one of the first civilizations to use zero.

Cross out each number you use to answer the following clues. No number will be used more than once. When you are done, two numbers will be left. Reverse their order and spell out the resulting two-digit number. That's your key word.

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

Rock band Blink- \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of months \_\_\_\_\_  
with 31 days \_\_\_\_\_  
Rings in the Olympic symbol \_\_\_\_\_  
Three dozen \_\_\_\_\_  
Planets in the solar system \_\_\_\_\_

Key word: \_\_\_\_\_

CENTRAL AMERICA  
1500 BC–AD 900

CHINA  
1000 BC–AD 200

## 4. CHINA

The ancient Chinese cultivated silk, invented paper, and built the Great Wall. They also had a pretty smart guy named Confucius, who was a teacher and philosopher.

How wise are your eyes? Find the two identical pictures of Confucius. Scramble the letters in the corner of the four other pictures to form your key word.



Key word: \_\_\_\_\_

## 5. THE PRESENT

Welcome back!

Place the key words from each location in the numbered blanks. Then transfer each letter to the same numbered square below. You'll get a message from Professor Wells explaining why you have to hop back in your time machine.

Sumer

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Egypt

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Central America

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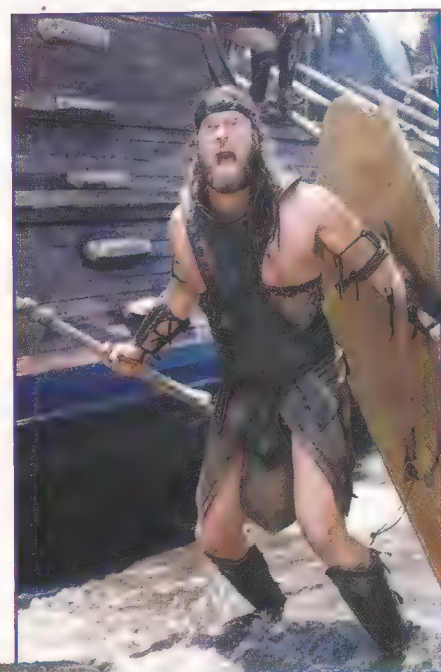
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# From Old Tales

Anne D. Bernstein found a few company names and logos that have their roots in Greek and Roman mythology.

## A MOVING STORY: Atlas Van Lines

Atlas was one of the Titans, a family of giant Greek gods. He led them in a war against a younger group of gods called the Olympians. When the Olympians won, their powerful leader, Zeus, punished Atlas by making him carry the heavens on his shoulders (left). Today, Atlas Van Lines doesn't hold up the heavens, but its movers can carry your whole world—with the help of trucks and forklifts.



## BATTLE OF THE BATHROOM: Ajax

The ancient Greek epic the *Iliad* tells about a war between the Greeks and the Trojans. One of the story's greatest war heroes was Ajax (left, played by Tyler Mane in last summer's *Troy*). He was known for his enormous size and superior strength. When Ajax cleanser was introduced in 1947, it was named for this powerful Greek figure. Ajax has been fighting grease and grime ever since.

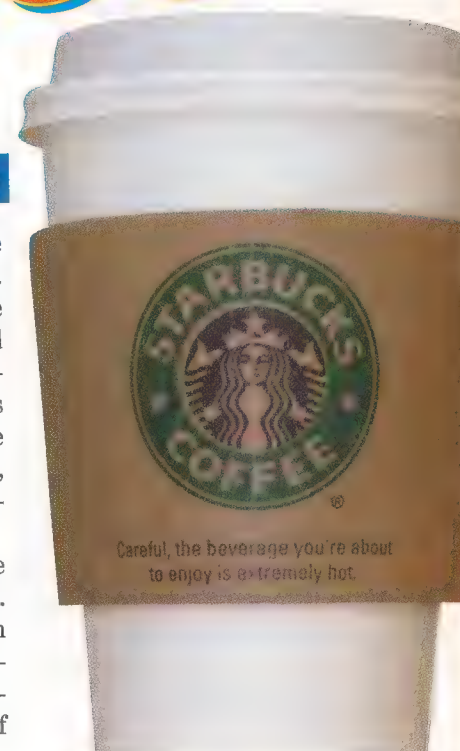


# to Big Sales

## BEAUTY AND THE BEANS: Starbucks

Starbucks says that the female figure on their logo (right) is a Siren. According to Greek mythology, the Sirens were half-woman, half-bird creatures who lived on an island surrounded by dangerous rocks. Sailors were lured to the island by the Sirens' beauty and sweet singing, only to end up crashing on the boulders.

Later in history, the Sirens were shown as half woman, half fish (left). The Starbucks Siren was drawn according to that tradition. She represents the nautical roots of the company's hometown, the coastal city of Seattle, Washington.



## ONE SWELL SWOOSH: Nike

Besides being the name of an athletic-wear company, Nike (right) was the Greek goddess of victory. In 1971, Phil Knight, the founder of the company, paid \$35 to an advertising student named Caroline Davidson to design a logo that would look good on the side of a sneaker. She came up with the world-famous Swoosh, which is supposed to represent the goddess Nike's wings. Phil got quite a run for his money!



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#### PUT THE PETAL TO THE METAL: FTD Florists

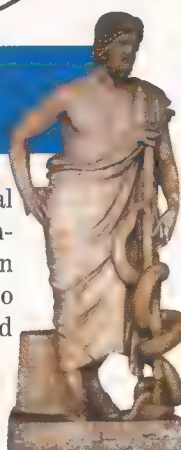


FTD stands for Florists' Transworld Delivery, a network of florists that makes it possible to have flowers and gifts delivered around the world. FTD's logo is an image of Mercury (above), the Roman messenger of the gods, running with a bouquet. His winged sandals, which helped him get around quickly, made him the perfect symbol for speedy deliveries.



#### OPEN WIDE AND SAY "HISS": American Medical Association

The American Medical Association is the country's largest organization for doctors. Their logo (above) is a snake curled around a staff, which was inspired by Asklēpios, the Greek god of medicine. He always carried a stick with a serpent wrapped around it, and some legends even said Asklēpios could turn into a snake. His slithery stick has been associated with doctors and healing ever since.

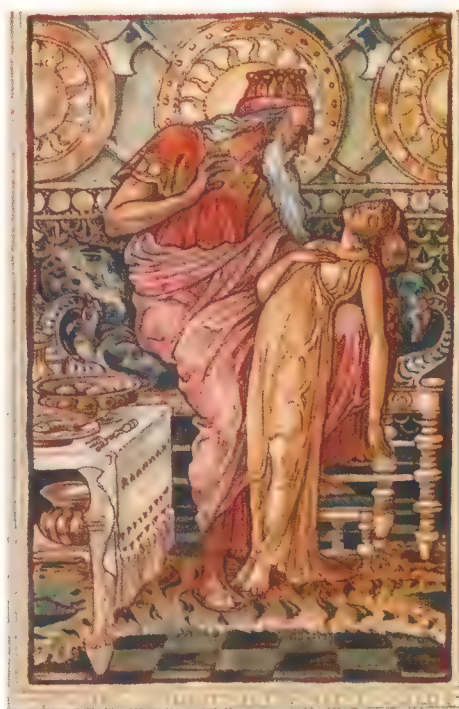


#### I BRAKE FOR ROYALTY: Midas Mufflers



In a famous Greek story, greedy King Midas wished for everything he touched to turn to gold. This didn't work out too well for him, since "everything" included food, drink, and people—even his own daughter (right).

In 1956, Nate Sherman, a muffler manufacturer, formed the Mufflers Installation Dealers Association, which he shortened to M.I.D.A.S. Nate liked the connection to the king, so he made a crown part of the original logo. For a while, they even painted their mufflers gold! Although the crown is gone from the logo today (above), the company still uses the slogan TRUST THE MIDAS TOUCH. □



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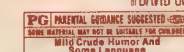


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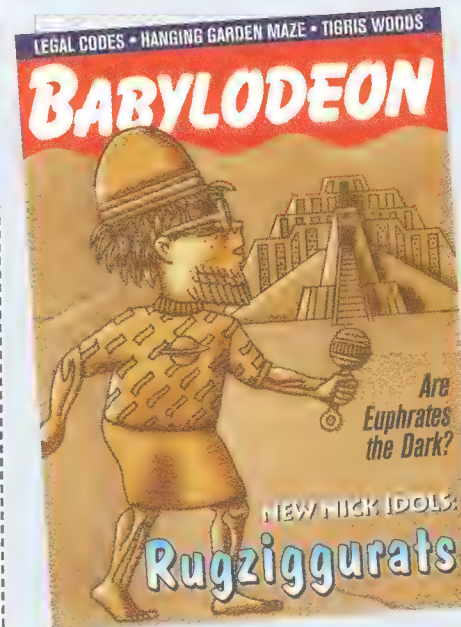


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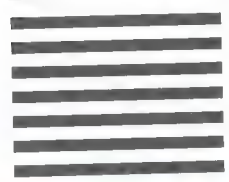


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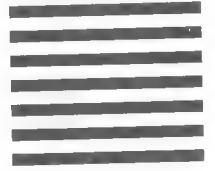


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# Mythstakes

You may have heard about the famous gods of the ancient Greeks, like Apollo and Athena. But you'll never hear about the ones that Zeus, ruler of the gods, booted out of Mount Olympus. (Until now.)



DISASTROS

GODDESS OF KLUTZES

**Powers:** Made chairs slide out from under her as she sat down. Caused banana peels to appear directly under her feet. Walked into tables, walls, and priceless vases.

**Rejected because:** Atlas, a god who held up the world and the heavens, asked Disastros to hold them for five minutes. She did okay for a few seconds but then dropped them, so Zeus gave her her walking papers—which she accidentally dropped as well.

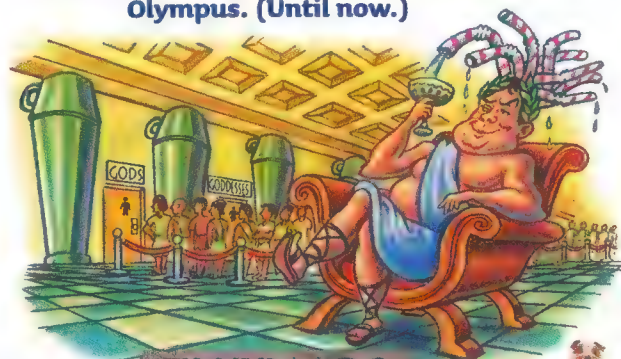


CHLORINE

GODDESS OF THE POOL AND JACUZZI

**Powers:** Could control large foam noodles at a distance. Able to tell who peed in the kiddie pool. Looked good in goggles. Worked well under water pressure.

**Rejected because:** She made her fellow gods' skin wrinkly and their eyes red and burning, which no one appreciated. "I'm afraid I've got to let you go, Chlorine," said Zeus at last. "But can we have one last game of Marco Polo?"



THERMOS

GOD OF THIRSTY PEOPLE

**Powers:** Provided unlimited quenching. Manipulated bendy straws. Kept cold, cold and hot, hot. Had a bubbly personality.

**Rejected because:** Thermos kept everyone so well hydrated that soon every bathroom on Mount Olympus had a line 25 gods long. Zeus got sick of going so often that he decided it was *Thermos* who had to go.



FAKEUS

GOD OF KIDS WHO PRETEND THEY'RE SICK WHEN THEY WANT TO STAY HOME FROM SCHOOL

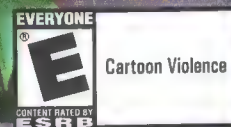
**Powers:** Infected youngsters with fake coughing and sneezing. Made stomachs pretend-ache. Could not actually heal anything.

**Rejected because:** Although it took 800 years, the gods finally caught on to Fakeus. An angry Zeus called him into his office, but Fakeus "came down with a high fever" and never showed up. So Zeus fired him. Some gods, however, think that Zeus was just mad because Fakeus wasn't around during *his* school days. □

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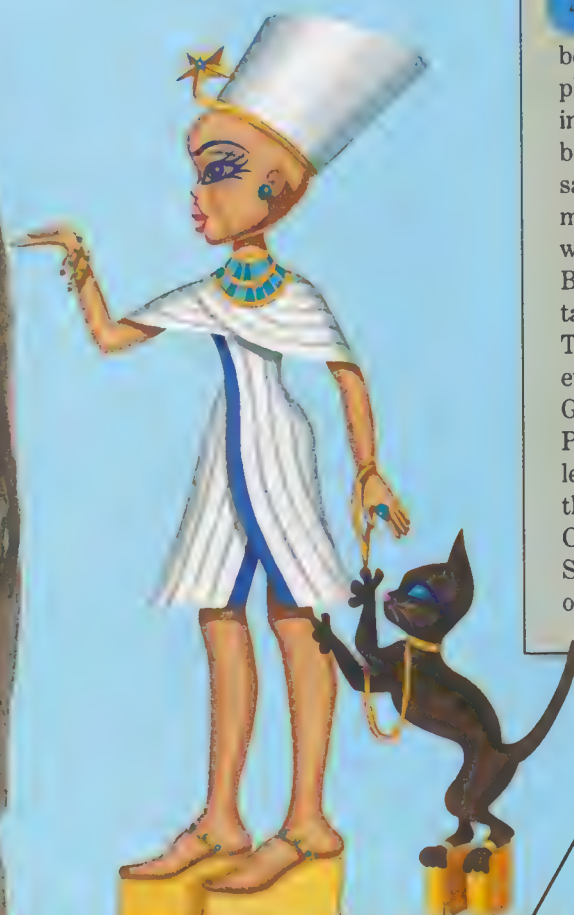
# BRATZ IN TIME

You may think that Bratz dolls are the newest trend, but archaeologists have uncovered evidence that these fashion-crazy toys might have been around forever.

by Anne D. Bernstein



**2000 BC** The oldest Bratz doll ever found dates back to the Sumerians of ancient Mesopotamia. Carved from stone, this doll—known as the Ur-Brat—never became popular, due to her small head and feet, limited wardrobe (only one outfit), and the fact that it was really hard to brush hair made from rock.



**1100 BC** In ancient Egypt, Bratz dolls first appeared with their big heads and feet—the pleasing proportions we know today. Since the Egyptians worshipped cats, each Bratz doll also came with a Catz companion. Soon after, the first male Bratz doll was introduced: King Tutz. And, in true Egyptian fashion, whenever an owner got bored with a doll, it was buried in a tomb with 5,000 accessories.

**400 BC** To the ancient Greeks, Bratz dolls represented beauty in its purest form. The philosopher Plato must have been extremely impressed by their looks and attitude, because he couldn't think of a thing to say about them. Many Greek monuments and buildings were decorated with elaborate carved images of Bratz dolls, such as this fountain, known as the Spritz. The dolls even inspired an event in the first Olympic Games: the Freestyle Pout. Winning athletes were awarded the Deluxe Chariot Play Set, made out of pure gold.



**300 BC** This clay tablet recently unearthed in present-day Syria shows that the ancient Phoenicians used a special written language (called Cune-Phoenician) to rave about their Bratz dolls. The translation of the message shown above: "Our dolz have the best accessories."

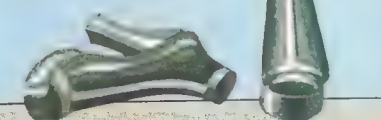
Due to a lack of shopping opportunities, a great Bratz migration occurred soon after this tablet was created, and the dolls' collectors scattered and spread throughout the world.



**AD 50** Although a complete Bratz doll has yet to be found in China, these precious artifacts were uncovered by a farmer in 1958 when a mini backpack got stuck in his rake. He also unearthed three Bratz feet, which researchers believe are evidence that children in ancient China had to deal with the modern problem of Bratz feet detaching from their legs.

Collecting Bratz dolls was also a favorite pastime of Chinese royalty. One emperor so loved his Bratz dolls that he composed a 300,000-word poem in their honor: *Bratz Pack R Kew! Like Dew on Leaf*.

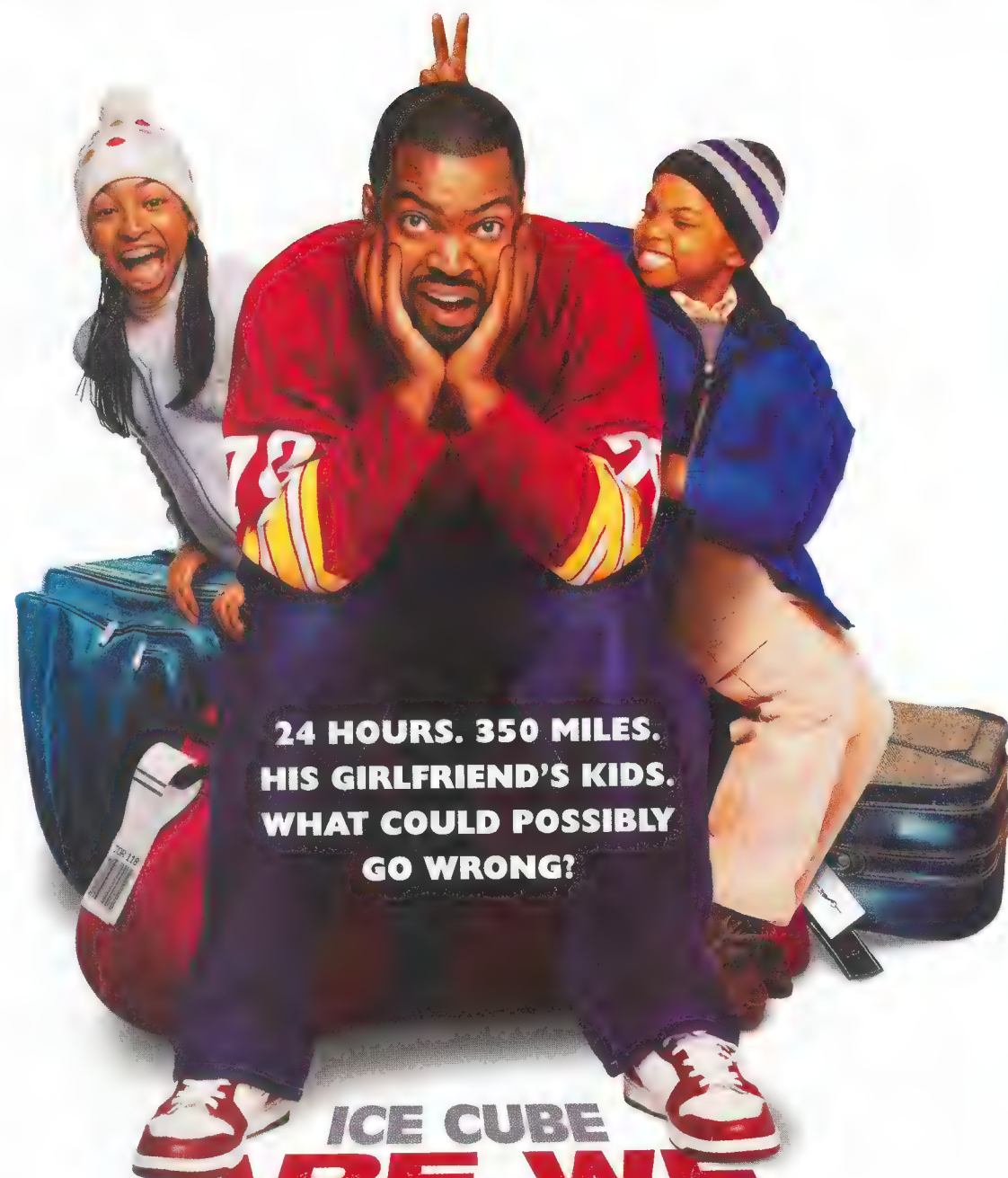
My dew's on the lawn.



**AD 500** This bronze Bratz doll survived an era of great strife in Europe: the Battle of the Belly Buttons. It was a time of conflict between the Bratz collectors of the Roman Empire and the invading hordes of barbarian collectors. Particularly troublesome were the Flava Federation and the Diva Starz Dynasty, two rival doll-collecting peoples hostile to Bratz owners.

Thousands of outfits were pillaged in the conflict and it took centuries for doll fashions to return to normal. Eventually, all the doll owners made peace, banded together, and patiently awaited the invention of plastic. □





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Marc Tyler Nobleman and Steven Stern found out.



## ANCIENT GREECE 776-323 BC

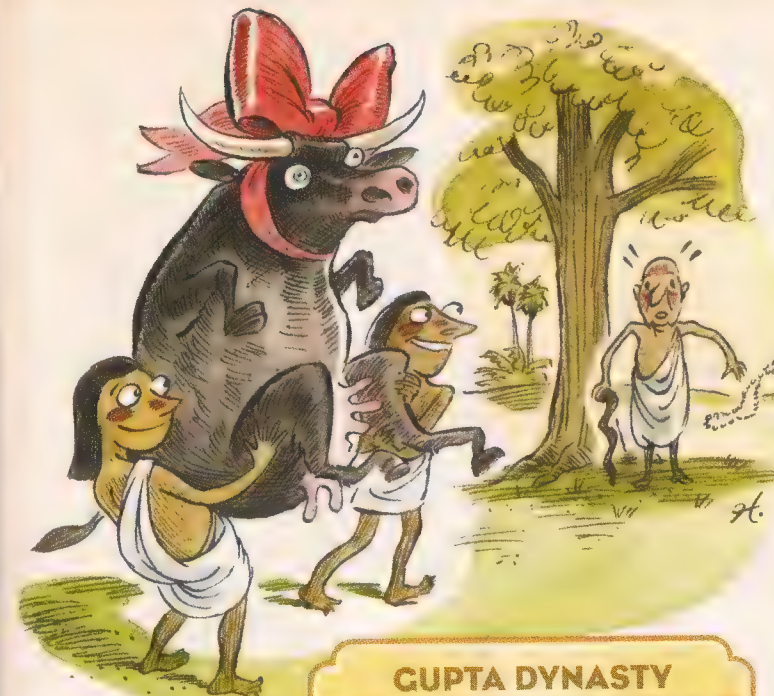
**ENTERTAINMENT:** Greek kids played games, including blindman's bluff and knucklebones, which is similar to jacks. They also had toys, such as dolls, yo-yos, or little horses, made of cloth or clay. They had to offer up their toys to the gods when they reached age 12.

**CLOTHES:** Despite what you may have heard, the Greeks didn't wear togas. The standard outfit was the chiton. This single piece of wool or linen fabric was pinned or sewn at the shoulders and hung down like a dress. Since clothing had no pockets, people often carried their coins in their mouth. Some girls wore sandals with heels to make themselves taller.

**HOUSES:** Greek homes were made of mud bricks, but some floors were covered in colorful mosaic patterns of clay or stone. There was very little furniture inside because Greece did not have many forests, and that made wood expensive.

**SCHOOL:** At age seven, half of all Greek children could go to school—the male half. Some girls learned to read, write, and play an instrument from a private tutor at home. Boys who couldn't afford school began working, often with their fathers. At age 14, some boys went to the palaestra, which was a wrestling school! They also learned some science, math, and philosophy there.

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## GUPTA DYNASTY OF NORTHERN INDIA AD 320-550

**ENTERTAINMENT:** Wrestling matches and fights between trained animals were popular to watch, as were performances by magicians and snake charmers. Adults and children also liked playing chess and dice games.

**CLOTHES:** Long strips of cloth were draped around the waist and over the shoulders, and fastened with belts and pins. Like men and women, both boys and girls wore makeup and jewelry.

**HOUSES:** Homes were mostly made of mud. Residents hung vases of water from the ceiling to keep rooms fresh in dry weather. Caged parrots and parakeets were often hung in windows.

**SCHOOL:** Boys who lived in towns were often sent to school starting at age four or five. They learned reading and writing, and took recreation breaks for archery and wrestling. When they got older, many upper-class boys studied with a guru (a religious master) for several years. The guru asked no fee, but students presented him with a gift—usually a cow.

**ENTERTAINMENT:** The arts, including music and crafts, were extremely popular during the Han dynasty. Common instruments included drums, pipes, and gongs. Acrobats, jugglers, and musicians often performed for free in markets and on street corners.

**CLOTHES:** Country people dressed in cloth shirts and pants and straw sandals. Their outfits were made from plant fibers that were often scratchy. To keep warm in the winter, people stuffed paper and cloth into their clothes and wore sheepskins. Rich folks dressed in long silk robes.

**HOUSES:** Homes of the poor were made from bamboo poles or timber. Most did not have kitchens, so people cooked outdoors. Chairs were not common in China yet, so everyone sat on mats.

**SCHOOL:** There was a public school system for boys only. Rich kids didn't go to school, however. They learned math, science, literature, and other subjects at home or at a tutor's house.



## HAN DYNASTY OF CHINA 202 BC-AD 220

CONTINUED



**ROMAN EMPIRE**  
27 BC-AD 395

**CLOTHES:** Most adults and children wore a simple tunic of wool or linen tied with a belt, and sandals. (If the wind ever blew their tunics up, no problem: They wore underwear.) Togas, which were heavier than tunics, were used for special occasions. People also often covered scars on their skin with stick-on leather patches.

**HOUSES:** In towns, people lived in apartment buildings. The wealthy lived in large single-story homes. Certain rooms were off-limits to kids, such as the dining room, which was often the fanciest room in the house.



I see Carthage, I see Gaul  
I see what's beneath it all

**SCHOOL:** There were schools during the Roman Empire but no school buildings. Boys and some girls attended class outdoors or in a rented room in the back of a store.

The teachers were often former soldiers. Instead of books, the class used scrolls, which were expensive, so students didn't have their own copies.

**NEW KINGDOM  
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1550-1070 BC**



**ENTERTAINMENT:** Egyptians are the first people known to have board games. Kids also played a

version of tug-of-war (without the rope). Girls in particular played a game like catch in teams of two—with one kid riding piggyback on her teammate's shoulders.

**CLOTHES:** Boys and girls wore a simple kilt—a rectangular cloth that went from the waist to the knee. And like adults, they wore lots of jewelry. Boys also shaved their head except for one long lock of hair on the side.

**HOUSES:** Houses were built from bricks of mud and chopped straw. Although there was a small area for a bed, on hot nights people often slept on the roof, where it was cooler.

**SCHOOL:** Most Egyptian kids didn't attend school. Only some boys from wealthy families went to schools to learn to be scribes or army officers. □

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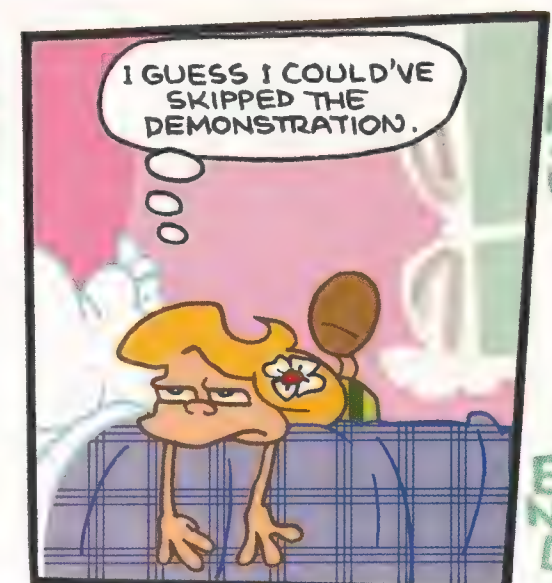
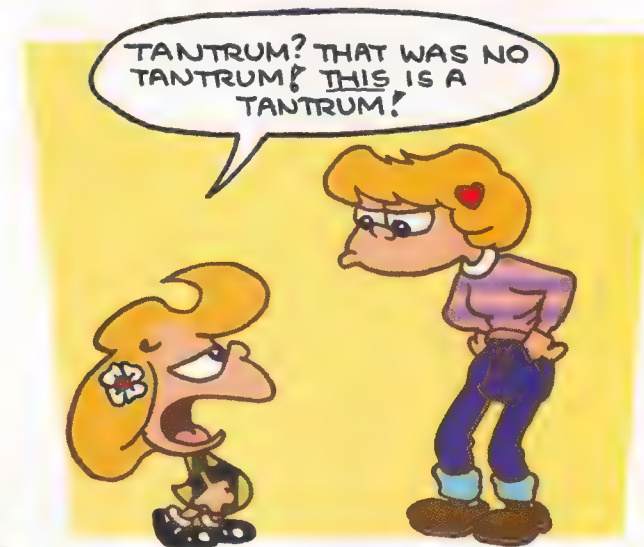
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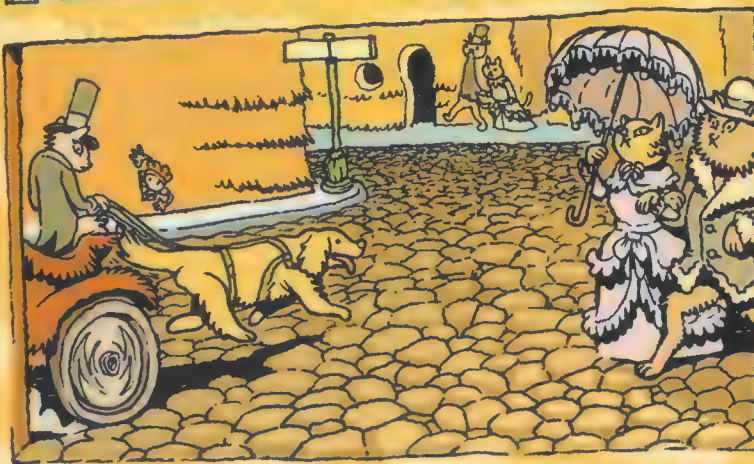




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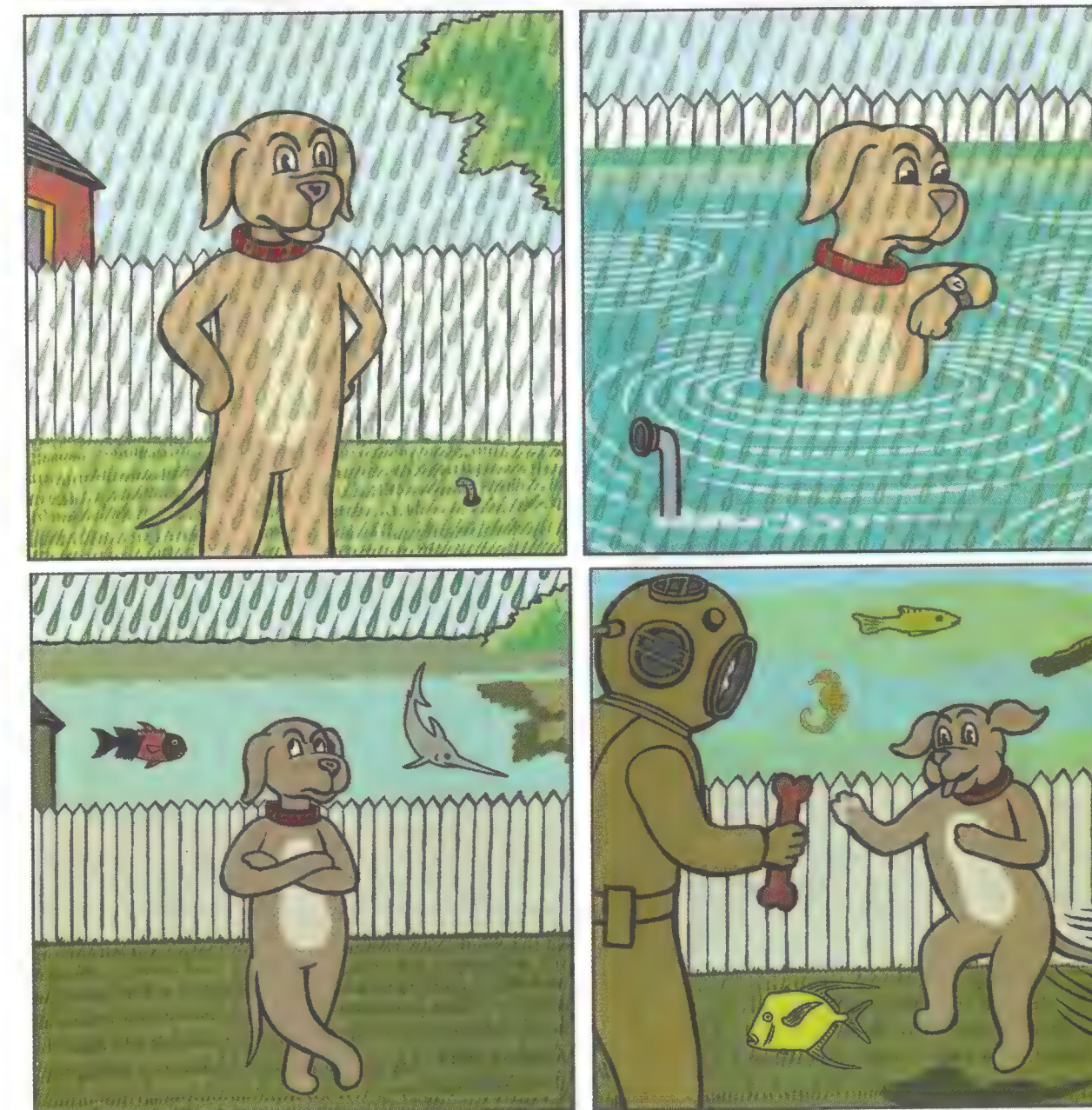


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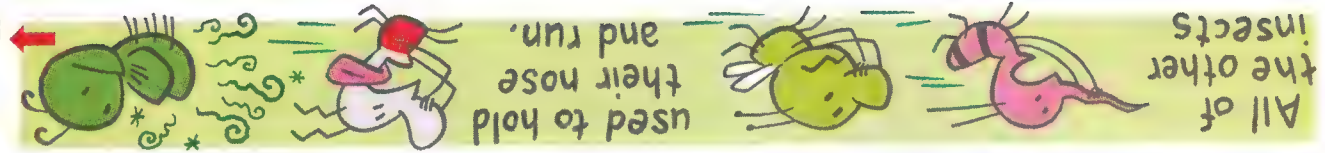
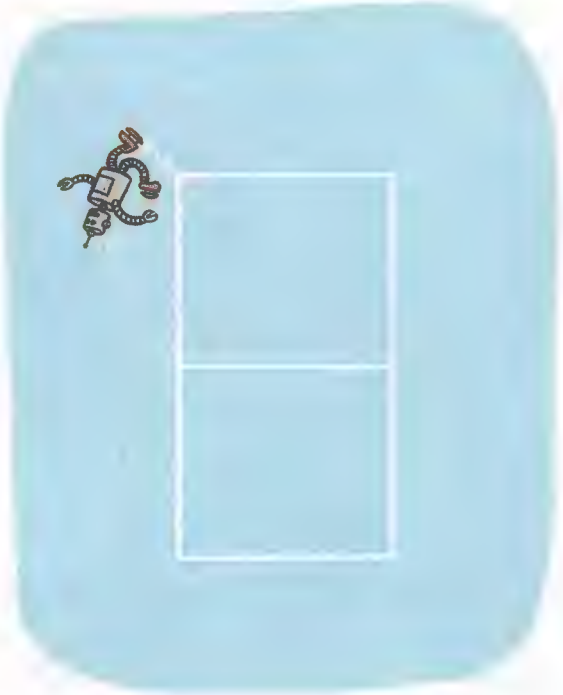
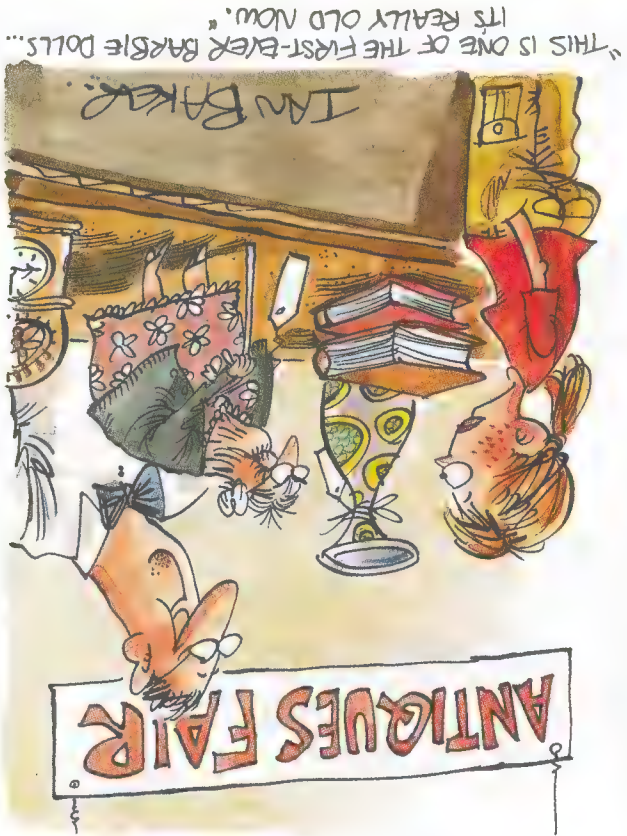
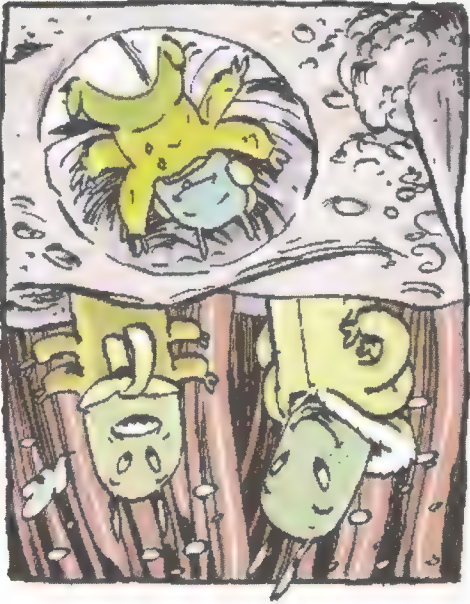


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So why did you turn yourself into a FLEA?

I thought it would be good for a laugh... but now I can't turn myself back!

# Tak 2

Story: Brian Ralph Art: Mark Crilley  
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Fear not, Jibolba!

As foretold in the ancient legends of the Pupununu people, I, Tak, will scour the Earth seeking a way to transform you back!

Or you could just go ask my brother JB for the antidote. Here's his address.

Jibolba said I should come along to protect you!

I find that hard to believe, Lok.

Well, then you can't use my canoe.

Fine, just get in...

As owner of this fine vessel, I will assume the role of captain!

Aye, aye, captain. Now would you sit down and paddle?!

I know how we can solve the flea problem... **FLEA POWDER!**

We want to **HELP** Jibolba, not kill him!

There's a fork in the river ahead! Do we go right or left?

Mommy, are there any Choco-Munch Crunch Bars left?

Did you say "left"?

Uh-oh! We're surrounded by...

...WOODIES!

It's no use, there are too many of them! We can't fight them forever, Lok!

Fauna! How long have you been up there?

Long enough to watch you two nincompoops make fools of yourselves!

I'll get rid of those nasty ol' Woodies for ya!

Whoopsie!

Here goes nothing!

Come on, Lok!

Thanks to these Woodies, we'll NEVER make it to JB's house before dark. Jibolba will be stuck as a flea tonight!

Sorry, Jibolba, but we didn't get your potion...

Well, you did bring the next best thing...

**DINNER!**

**MUNCH**

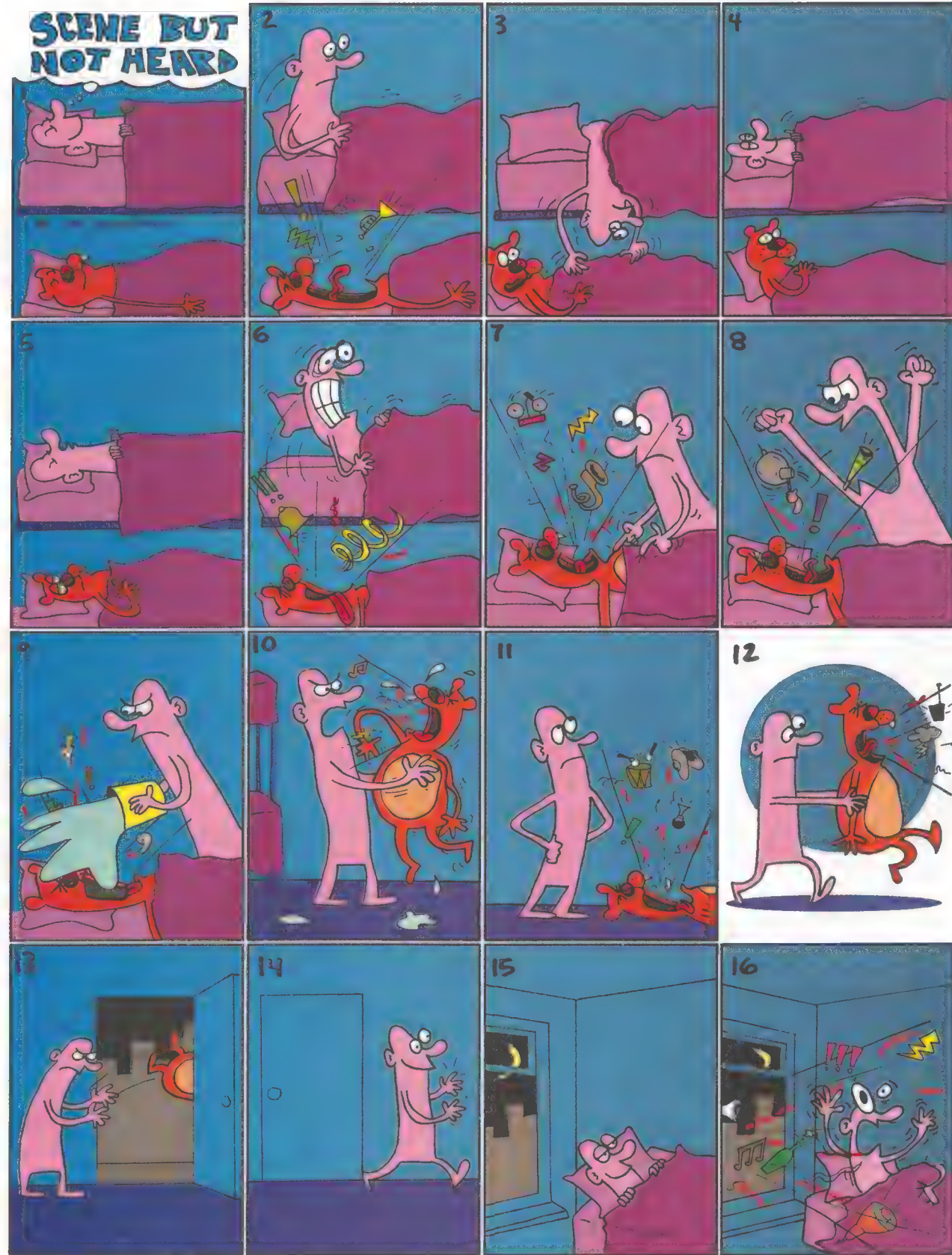
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They never let poor Dinky join in all the insect fun.

Then one scary Christmas Day, humans sprayed bug spray!





Dinky's stink cloud smelled so loud, it scared away that bug-spray cloud!



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by Andrew Brisman





# Primp My Chariot

## CAST



**EXHIBITUS**  
THE SHOW'S HOST



**LAME-O**  
A GUY WITH A CHARIOT

**POLO**  
A HORSE



**MECHANICUS**  
THE HEAD CHARIOT CUSTOMIZER



**SPARKITUS**  
THE ASSISTANT CUSTOMIZER

### SCENE 1 Sweet Chariots Repair Shop

**EXHIBITUS:** Exhibitus here, ready to primp your chariot! This week, I'm going to visit a guy named Lame-O. He has no idea I'm about to primp his chariot. I love to say the name of my show: *Primp My Chariot*!

### SCENE 2 A Roman Garage

**LAME-O:** This is my chariot, a 316 BC Gladiator Chariolette. It's rusted, the paint is chipping, the steering's terrible, and I've got a serious exhaust problem—my horse, Polo. He's from 326 BC.

**POLO:** And they say I'm too slow to pass anything. Hey, I can still pull a chariot as well as...*(yawns for several seconds)* I need a nap. *(He falls asleep, snores, and farts loudly.)*

**LAME-O:** *(waving his hand in front of his face)* I'm the head towel boy at the Roman baths, but no one takes me seriously when I pull up in this hunk of junk. I'm begging here, please, someone...primp my chariot!

**POLO:** *(waking up)* Can it! I'm trying to...*(He falls asleep. There is a knock on Lame-O's garage door. Lame-O opens the door.)*

Television is full of shows that make over houses, cars, and even people. Archaeologists recently dug up a script from *Primp My Chariot*, the hottest Roman makeover show back in 300 BC. Grab your toga and your favorite chariot, and act it out with your friends!



**LAME-O:** Oh, my Jupiter! It's Exhibitus!

**EXHIBITUS:** That's right. I'm here to primp your chariot! *(They high-five and Exhibitus inspects the chariot.)* Where'd you get these wheels?

**LAME-O:** Well, the left one is an old wagon wheel. And the right one is a petrified pizza.

**EXHIBITUS:** Ha! What, did the ancient Greeks do this paint job?

**LAME-O:** Actually, yes.

**EXHIBITUS:** It is definitely time to primp your chariot! *(Exhibitus leaps into Lame-O's chariot and tries to ride off.)*

**POLO:** *(waking up)* Hold your humans. Where's the fire? *(He slowly pulls the chariot offstage and farts.)*

**EXHIBITUS:** *(waving his hand in front of his face)* Great Caesar's toga!

### SCENE 3 Sweet Chariots Repair Shop

**EXHIBITUS:** Welcome to Sweet Chariots, the hottest chariot customizing shop in the empire.

**MECHANICUS:** *(looking at Lame-O's chariot)* I've heard of Roman ruins, but this is ridiculous. Sparkitus, what do you think we should do with this chariot?

**SPARKITUS:** Throw it to the lions?

**EXHIBITUS:** We tried that. They threw it back.

**SPARKITUS:** *(thinking)* Well, we could paint it glitter red, airbrush on some flames, bolt on forty-two-inch chrome wheels with rotating rims, add some kickin' accessories like a torch-lit license plate, and...*(sniffs)*...we have to change that horse's diet. *(Sparkitus, Exhibitus, and Mechanicus all wave their hands in front of their faces.)*

**POLO:** Sure, blame me.

### SCENE 4 Later on at Sweet Chariots Repair Shop

**MECHANICUS:** How's that chariot coming, Sparkitus? Totally primped out yet?

**SPARKITUS:** I've carpeted it, repainted it, and installed the chrome and accessory package, but I'm having a snag with the nag. He refuses to change his diet.

**POLO:** I was born a bean eater, and I'll stay a bean eater!

### SCENE 5 Sweet Chariots Repair Shop, even later

**EXHIBITUS:** Well, Lame-O, when I brought your chariot in here, it stank worse than downtown Rome on garbage day.

**LAME-O:** Why are you telling me stuff I already know?

**EXHIBITUS:** *(whispers)* It's for the show. *(in a normal voice)* But today, you get to see how we've primped your chariot! *(Sparkitus yanks a cloth off the chariot. Lame-O can't believe what he sees.)*

**LAME-O:** Oh, my Apollo! Oh, my Venus! Oh, my...that fast guy with the wings on his feet!

**SPARKITUS:** Mercury?

**LAME-O:** Whatever! Is this my chariot? This is off the hook! It's even got that new chariot smell!

**MECHANICUS:** Lame-O, let me show you the features we've added. We put in flip-down murals, a crystal wind-shield, and the world's first goblet holder.

**SPARKITUS:** What do you mean "we"? I did all the work!

**LAME-O:** You mean I can drive *and* carry a beverage? That is just—wait a minute. What about the horse? *(Polo farts.)* It smells like...violets!

**SPARKITUS:** We put him on a strict diet of flowers.

**POLO:** Hey, you told me those were bean blossoms!

**EXHIBITUS:** Plus, we added a turbine so his gas can help turn the wheels. This thing can *move*, you know what I'm saying?

**LAME-O:** Thank you so much! Way to primp my chariot!

**EXHIBITUS:** Hey, don't say the name of the show. That's *my* job! □





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Homer's epic poem the *Odyssey* is considered one of the world's greatest tales. Had it been told by a dog, it would have been a lot different—and a lot shorter, too. We begin our story during the Trojan War...

1

The Cats of Troy had us surrounded, and the situation was looking hopeless. All of a sudden, I had an idea. A lightbulb would have gone off over my furry little head—if lightbulbs had been invented by then.

Fellow dogs of Greece, things are bleaker than a water bowl full of sewage. Only some huge trick can save us from being trapped like rats.

Hmm... cats...rats...trap... I'VE GOT IT!

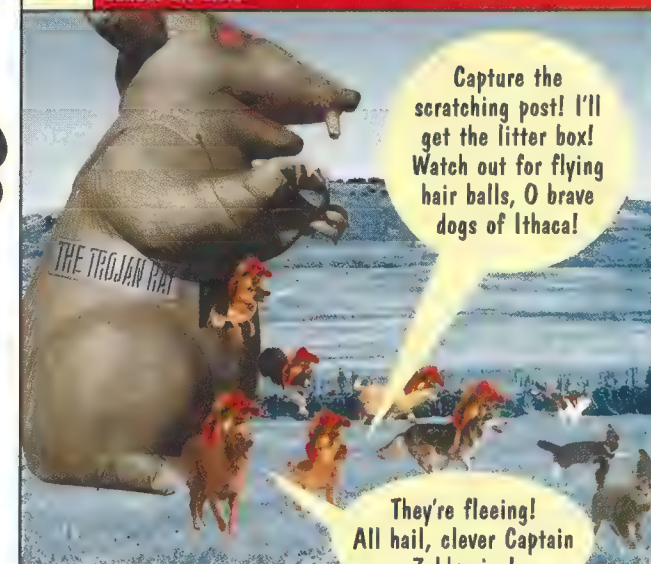


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A few nights later, we left our teline toes a gitt, and believe me, they were so surprised when we popped out that it scared the dander off them.

Capture the scratching post! I'll get the litter box! Watch out for flying hair balls, O brave dogs of Ithaca!

They're fleeing! All hail, clever Captain Zeldyssius!



3

Meanwhile, the dogs of Ithaca who had stayed home, thinking I was gone for good, started flirting with my hunky hound hubby, Rufusoniuss the poet! But he began to recite the longest, most boring poem to keep them away.

She has soft beige fur. 'Tis why I miss her. She makes me purr. Life without her is but a blur...



Does this thing ever end? I have a grooming appointment in five weeks.

Zeldyssius better get back here soon or I'll fall asleep!

4

I couldn't wait to get back to Ithaca and my husband. But our ship was washed ashore on an island, and we were imprisoned in a cave by a hideous one-eyed giant, the Cyclops.

You're never leaving, you dogs! You're going to be here forever, looking at me.

Wait! That gives me another face-saving idea!





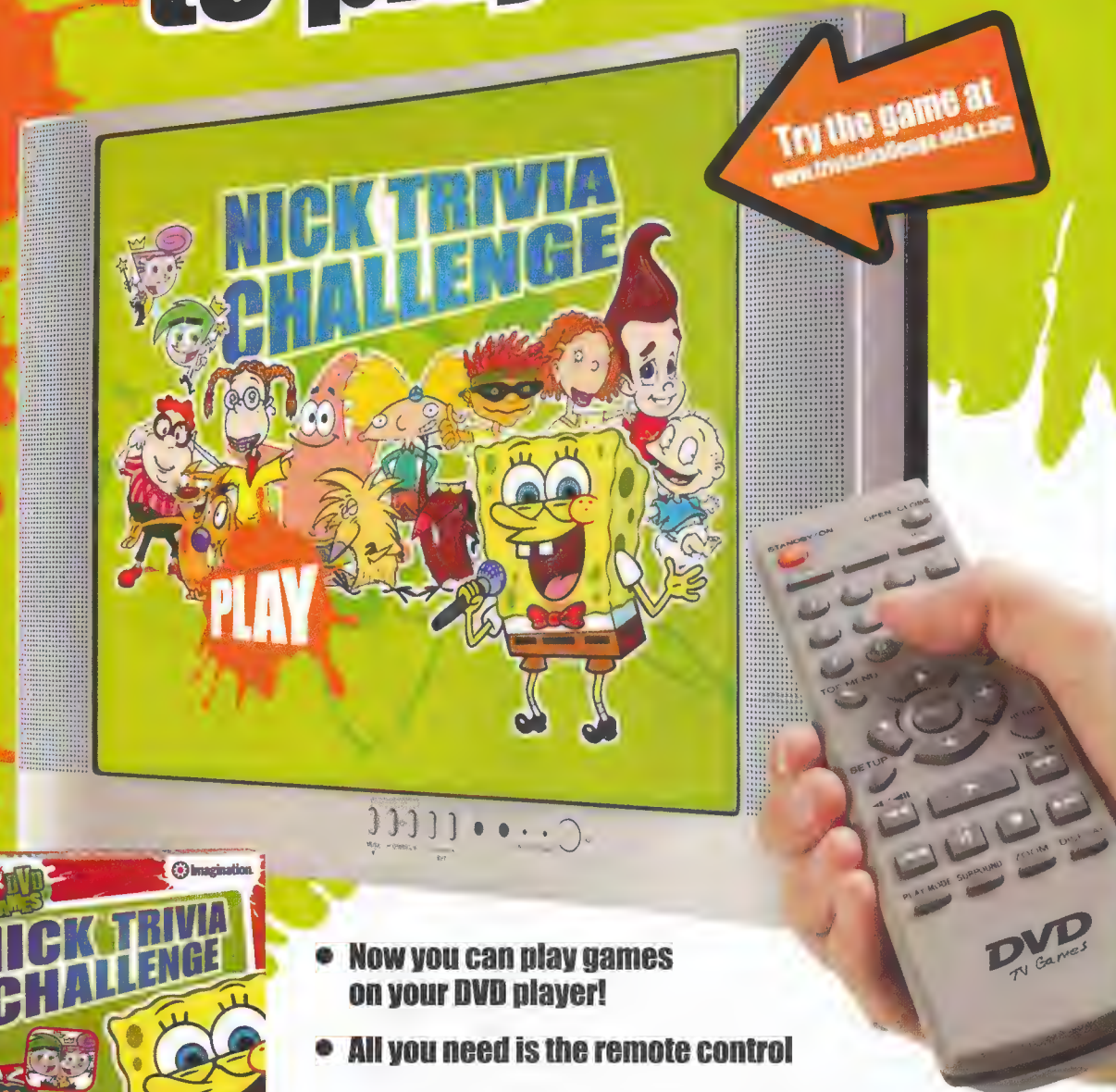


My short tail tail ends and my nap begins. Good-night!

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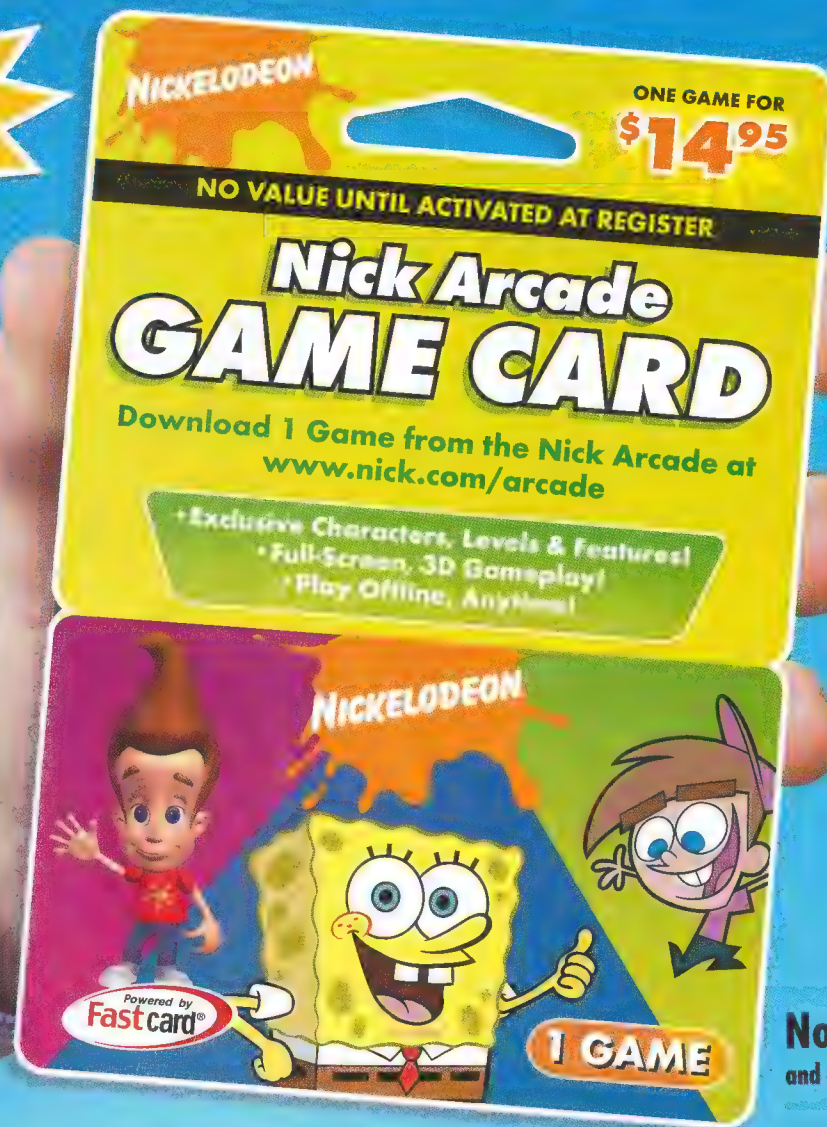
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So let's all pitch in! We need to raise more than \$2,500,000 in the next two weeks, or the Marching Band won't get to fly first class, have hot tubs in their hotel rooms, or be able to rent a trained lemur to play the cymbals (a school tradition!).

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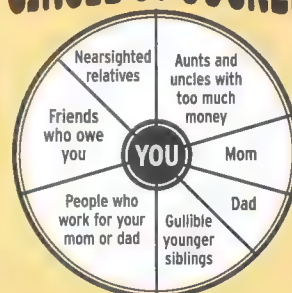
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## PROPER WAYS TO SELL

- ✓ Always SMILE, say "Please," "Thank you," and refuse to answer when they ask, "Why are you smiling and saying *please* and *thank you*?"
- ✓ Ask your parents to help sell stuff when they are preoccupied with something—for example, when they are in the shower or asleep.
- ✓ Remind siblings with cash of the many things they've done that you haven't told your parents—yet.

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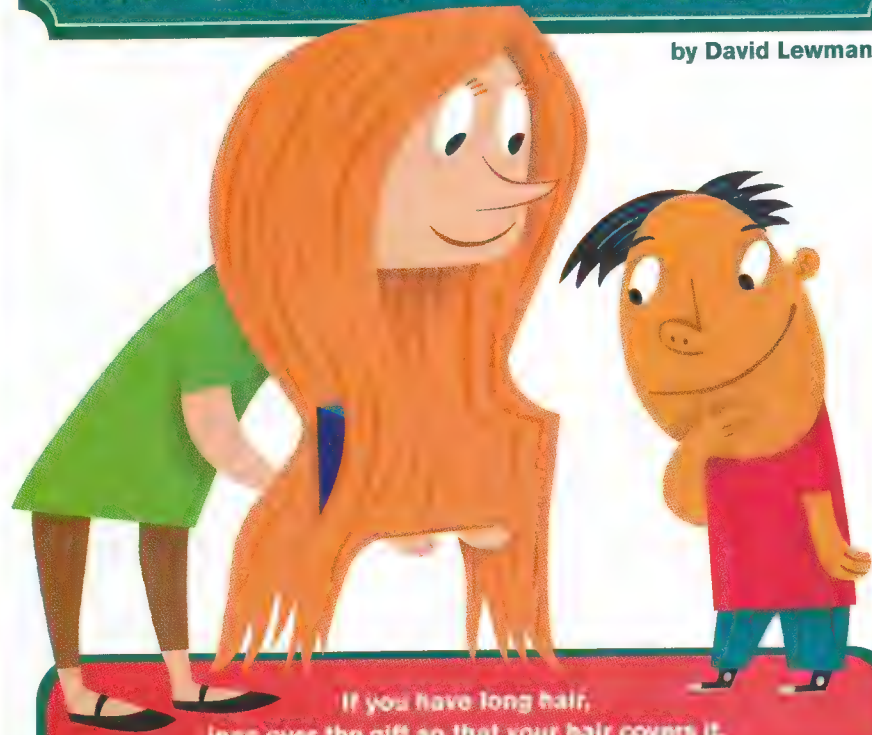
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# The Lazy Guide to GIFT WRAPPING

Sick of wrapping gifts? Try these quick and easy alternatives.

by David Lewman



If you have long hair,  
lean over the gift so that your hair covers it.

Go to the supermarket. Order some meat.  
Slip your present in while the meat is being wrapped up.

If it's a small gift, put it inside a sneaker and  
tie the shoelaces in a bow.

I'm fine  
with just the  
meat.

Bury the present in the yard and send the recipient  
on a "treasure hunt."

Draw a gift tag on the back of your hand and cup  
the present in your palms.

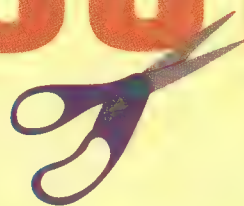
Sit on the present until the recipient is ready for it to "hatch."

Toss your present in just as the recipient is opening  
a big box from someone else.

Give the recipient directions to the store and aisle where  
the present you had in mind is located. Then hand over  
some cash so he or she can buy it.

Get a big bucket of glue and a big bucket of glitter.  
Dip, dip—you're done!

## CUT OUT



### Gift Tags and Thank You Cards

Carefully cut out the  
gift tags and thank you  
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Then use them to make  
sure your gifts—and  
your thanks—get to the  
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**With joy I did burst!\***

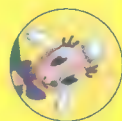
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# A Truly Gifted Quiz



The season of gift giving is upon us, and it's time to evaluate just what kind of gift giver you are. Take the following quiz to see if you need gift-giving advice.

## 1 You love to give presents:

- a. just to see the look of joy on people's faces.
- b. to someone whom you're about to ask for a big favor.
- c. only when you can get the present on sale.
- d. that smell like delicious cheeses.

## 2 The best present is:

- a. something that the recipient needs but wouldn't buy for himself or herself.
- b. anything the recipient won't immediately run over with a truck.
- c. always found for free in a Dumpster behind the mall.
- d. covered in nacho cheese.

My favorite phrase.



## 3 When you can tell that someone doesn't like a present that you've just given him or her, you say:

- a. "I left your present at home, this is for someone else."
- b. "Yeah, that's a lame present. I'd hate it if someone gave it to me."
- c. "Just toss it. I found it in a Dumpster behind the mall—and it sort of smells like fried chicken anyway."
- d. "Grate it, melt it down, put it on chips, and add jalapeños, and I know you'll feel differently."

## 4 If you don't have any money to buy someone a present, you:

- a. make them a present or give them a coupon good for your services.
- b. tell them that you're broke, but that you probably wouldn't have gotten them a present anyway.
- c. rewrap the gift they gave you last year and regift it to them.
- d. draw them a huge picture of all their favorite cheeses.

## If your answers were mostly:

a

You are a very thoughtful gift giver.

b

You are a terrible gift giver. Maybe this explains why no one gives you presents.

c

Some may say you're economical. Your friends probably say you're cheap.

d

Let's hope that you have understanding friends who love cheese as much as you do.



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Who can I talk to about not drinking alcohol?

What does drinking alcohol do to my body?

How can it help me if I ask questions about alcohol?

Why should I talk to anyone about drinking alcohol? What's the big deal?

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## TOYS TO AVOID

Every year, there are a few hot toys that fly out of the stores. Here are a few we came up with that would probably sit very comfortably on the shelves until spring.

### Pimple Poppin' Barbie

This fashion plate is just like regular Barbie but with icky skin problems. All the fun of popping pimples without the pain, mess, and potential for infection.

### Puke-on-Me Elmo

Squeeze this cute little guy and he'll puke a river all over you—just like a real baby.



### Plush Meat Loaf Pillow

The perfect thing to cuddle on cold winter nights. Plug it in for that just-out-of-the-oven toastiness. Fresh gravy scent gives your usual nighttime drooling new meaning.

### American Insect Dress-Like-Me Deer Tick

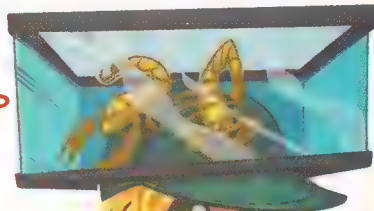
Custom design this hard-plastic deer tick so that its wardrobe resembles yours. Has 8 fully posable legs, and comes with a 10-piece tea set and matching outfits.



I'm gonna need a big can of bug spray.

### Scorpion Tank Hat

Take your pet scorpions with you everywhere with this fashionable hat. Nylon fabric protects your scalp from most stings.



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# Like It or Lump It

Santa still makes a list of who's naughty and who's nice, but he's not messing around with lumps of coal anymore. You'd better be good or you may find one of the following items in your stocking this year.



Used dentures

A doll made out of already chewed gum

A cool, new wardrobe that's three sizes too small

An iPod that only works for 30 seconds at a time

A basketball that's too big to fit through a hoop

A Game Boy Advance SP that snaps shut whenever you try to use it



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# PEACE OUT, ADVISERS

Every year, we select about 50 readers to tell us their opinions of each issue of Nick Mag. We wrote these rhymes to let our 2004 advisers know how valuable their help was all year.

To give you all your props,  
we're gonna bust out  
a rhyme  
For advisers Hattie  
Bertschausen and  
Sam Ascheim.

You helped us get better, you  
helped us save face,  
Jared Cocke, Noah Brunner,  
and Miss Katie Place.

From Claire Abraham and  
Jeremy Shafer we're  
mighty sad to be partin'.  
And thanks for all your hard  
work, Mr. Andrew Barton.

You gave us advice, answered  
questions, and all that jazz,  
Kerri Shaughnessy, Danielle  
Azoulay, and Yasmine  
Shahbaz.

Fredericka Carmouche,  
Michelle Bocchinfuso,  
Arian Hornsby, Bryan Nonni,  
we will miss you so.

You were excellent critics, and  
for that we say thanks,  
Drew and Kellie Zabriskie  
and Candace Blanks.

You got some free stuff,  
hope you didn't find it  
too measly,  
Steven Branson, Keegan  
Anderson, and Alex  
Easley.

Thanks so much, Nicole  
Gorman and Trace McLain,  
Plus Howland, Ryan, and  
Abdulahad, Lorraine.

Our mag you did read, our  
forms you did fill,  
Gregory Corcoran, Megan  
Duffy, and Emily Hill.

Without our '04 advisers,  
we're gonna be blue,  
James McTaggart, Sarah  
Parmer, and Jeff Yu, too.

When it came to responding,  
this crew could not  
have been faster,  
Liam Fagan, Darrick Kyle  
Johnson, and  
Sarah Paster.

Will Tarshis, your year is up,  
and about that we grieve.  
Peace out, Ashley McIntyre,  
Keely Weiss, and you,  
too, Rachael Shreve.

We got what you were  
saying, your writing  
wasn't too messy,  
Steven Quintana,  
Asierleigh Schultz, and  
Kardos, Jessie.

The time has come, Kelsey  
Peterson, our grip on  
you we must loosen.  
So long, Jillanne Romero,  
Austin Sabattis, and Jon  
Rasmussen.

Samantha Sanford, Brian  
Salvesen, your answers  
were neither slim nor  
shady,  
We will miss you all so  
much; it's no Secret,  
Katie.

We'd be lost if  
not for you.



Contest

# Toys to Avoid Contest

In "Toys to Avoid," we came up with a few toys, like the American Insect Dress-Like-Me Deer Tick, which are guaranteed to *not* bring a smile to anyone's face. Now it's *your* turn to come up with a disappointing toy or present of your own.

Here's how to enter:

- 1 Come up with a horrible toy. If you need inspiration, think back to one of the worst presents you've ever received—and then create one that's even worse! Give your idea a name, describe or draw it, and tell us why it would make a horrible present.
- 2 Be sure to include your full name, age, address, and phone number with your entry.
- 3 Mail your entry by **February 20, 2005**, to:

**TOYS TO AVOID CONTEST**  
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Or e-mail your entry, with your first name *only*, to  
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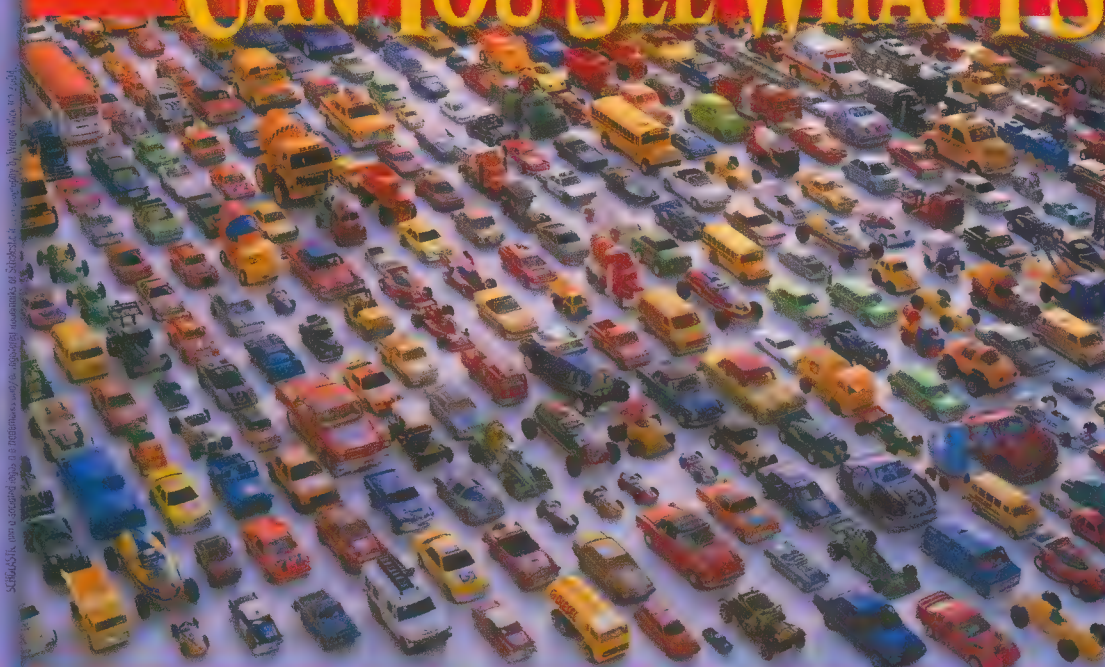


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Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

December

			1 Use your GREEN NICK SPLISH SPLAT!™ to make a fake booger. Stick it to your nostril and head down to the dinner table.	2	3
6	7 Pour some ORANGE NICK SPLISH SPLAT!™ on the back of your hand and run around saying: I'm melting! I'm melting!	8	9	10 Tell your parents you're not feeling well. Then stand sideways and with your hand shoot GREEN NICK SPLISH SPLAT!™ from the side of your face.	
13 	14	15 Pretend to fall out of bed by making a loud thud. Lie on the floor and smear RED NICK SPLISH SPLAT!™ on your knee. When someone comes to your aid, tell them you won't be able to make it downstairs, so you'll be needing breakfast in bed.	16	17 15 Days to Go...	
20 	21 Fill a cup with ORANGE NICK SPLISH SPLAT!™. Then accidentally knock it over. When your mom shrieks and runs for the dishrag, laugh, and stuff it back in the cup.	22	23	24 Put BLUE NICK SPLISH SPLAT!™ on a slice of cheese and tell your mom you think it's moldy.*	
27 After you've come in from outside, cover your big toe in PURPLE NICK SPLISH SPLAT!™. Tell your mom you think you might have frostbite.	28	29 Just 3 more days...	30 Stick a jar of GREEN NICK SPLISH SPLAT!™ in the fridge and tell your family it's your science experiment. Label it: Frog Intestine Project S	31	

January 1  
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Lemony Snicket's  
A Series of  
Unfortunate Events  
opens in theaters on  
Friday, December 17.

## Down With the Count

In *Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events*, the Baudelaire orphans must avoid the clutches of the evil Count Olaf, played by **Jim Carrey**. The actor told us about his good experience of playing a bad guy.

**NICKELODEON MAGAZINE: Are you at all like Count Olaf?**

**JIM CARREY:** He's very goal-oriented. I guess that's a little bit like me.

**How do you get into playing Count Olaf?**

Basically, he comes from a place of absolute insecurity. I kept wanting Olaf's hairline pushed back because it makes him more insecure. Bald is bad for actors like Count Olaf. When actors get scared, they get dangerous. That's Olaf in a nutshell.

**How do you psych yourself up to play someone who is really, really mean?**

It's just so much fun. It's fun evil, you know. It's creepy fun. That's kind of how I see it.

**What would you do if there was a Count Olaf in your life?**

I'd get to know him, hang out with him. I'd break him down, and then I'd give him a big hug and send him out into the world full of love.

WE ARE FAMILY: Count Olaf welcomes two of his new house guests, Violet and Klaus.



OLAF: STEPHANO: Olaf in one of his disguises.



A MOTLEY CREW: Count Olaf's hazy troupe of actors arrives at his home.

**Why do you think no one but the kids can see through Olaf's disguises?**

Well, the adults are completely self-centered in every way. They don't see what's around them, because they're all thinking about their own thing. And that's kind of the cool idea—that the kids are alone in their perceptions.

**How long did it take to get into the Count Olaf makeup?**

It took two and a half hours. Going into that makeup trailer was very tough for me when I knew I had to put prosthetics [fake body features] on. So I'd delay, delay, delay. I had another coffee, I helped the caterers, I hid under a truck...

**How did that experience compare with that of other movies you've worked on?**

[The makeup for] *The Grinch* basically broke me.

**What is it like to see yourself in a movie?**

I have to wait a couple of years before I can see it and not think it's me. Until then, I think, "Oh, gosh, I wonder if we could call it back from the theaters." I want to fix everything.

**How did everyone get along on the set?**

We did more than a hundred days of shooting. Usually people are crabby [by the end], but I think everyone was happy.

**What about all the babies who took turns playing Sunny, the youngest orphan?**

Uh, can I tell you the truth? Under the age of three, they're really cute and that's good because no one would like them if they weren't. They're not professional in any way. I looked like a freak [in costume], so the babies were like, "Yaaaa-nnnnnnnh." I looked like a bird of prey.

**What is the most unfortunate thing that happened to you on the set?**

I was on my Segway\* one day and was feeling pretty confident. I said "Good-night, everybody!" and I turned and started flying down the corridor, feeling like, "They think I'm cool." Then I slammed into the wall, flew over the handlebars, and did a shoulder roll [while everyone was watching]. Whenever you're feeling like Mr. Cool, that's when it happens. I just got up, got back on my Segway, and left. □

\*A Segway is a motorized scooter (right).



SUNNY DELIGHT: Sunny, the youngest Baudelaire.

Nice Segway!





# A Baudelaire Pair

We were fortunate enough to visit the set of *Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events* while the movie was being filmed. Two of the movie's stars, **Emily Browning** and **Liam Aiken**, answered our questions.

**Emily Browning (14T)**, age 14, plays Violet Baudelaire, the oldest of the Baudelaire orphans. Violet has a knack for inventing gadgets and is always looking out for her younger siblings, Klaus and Sunny.

**NICKELODEON MAGAZINE:** Do you have any siblings?

**EMILY BROWNING:** I have two younger brothers.

**Did you use any of your experience as a real older sister when playing Violet?**

Yes. When I argue with my brother, even if I'm wrong, I just want to disagree with him. Liam [Aiken, who plays Klaus] and I are like that in real life. That's a real brother-sister thing.

**How do you keep from laughing when you're doing a scene with Jim Carrey?**

I can do it if I breathe really deeply and squint my eyes. The first day we worked with him, it was just crazy. We probably got just one shot the whole day because we were constantly laughing really hard.

**Have you invented anything?**

I remember staying in bunk beds at my friend's house when I was eleven. We made the most ridiculous thing—a pulley system with all these strings and a bucket. We had an alarm clock in the bucket so that when the alarm went off, I could pull the bucket up from my bed and turn the clock off. I could have just slept with it on my bed. It was completely stupid, but we thought it was cool.

**Are you afraid of snakes?**

No, not really. I'm not afraid of traditional things, such as snakes or spiders, but I'm afraid of chickens, which is really weird.

*What a chicken!*

**Liam Aiken (14T)**, age 14, plays Klaus Baudelaire, the middle child of the Baudelaire orphans.

**NICKELODEON MAGAZINE:** What do you do to keep yourself from laughing in scenes with Jim Carrey when you're supposed to be scared?

**LIAM AIKEN:** You have to relax your eyes. If you relax your eyes you'll be completely straight. But you can't stay like that for too long. We're all pretty good with not laughing, but in the beginning it was really hard.

**In the movie, the orphans have to prepare pasta puttanesca for Count Olaf. Have you had puttanesca sauce for real?**

No, I haven't. I don't plan on it, either, because I got sick of it. We spent a week just working with that sauce.

**Did you like working with the snakes?**

I like snakes. I've worked with them before. It's a bonus for me to work with them.

**Do you have a favorite word that Sunny has said so far in the movie or books?**

I guess *gack*. It's the one she says the most. □



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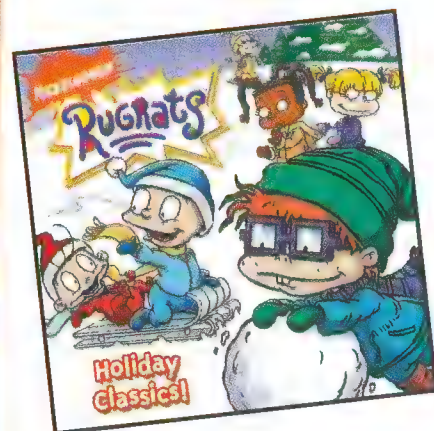
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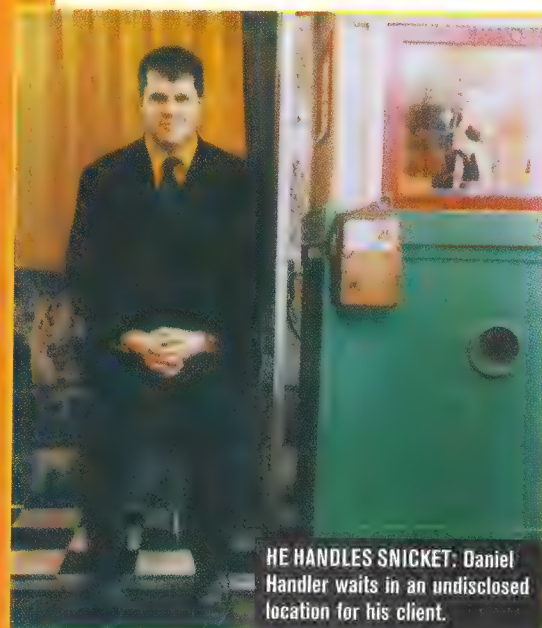
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## INSIDE NICK CONTINUED

# Don't Read This Interview!



HE HANDLES SNICKET: Daniel Handler waits in an undisclosed location for his client.

We managed to get the *Series of Unfortunate Events* writer Lemony Snicket (below, right) and his associate, Daniel Handler (left), in the same room—although it was too dark for us to be certain. In any case, they were kind enough to answer our questions.



**NICKELODEON MAGAZINE:** How do you describe your work?

**LEMONY SNICKET:** I conduct research, interview witnesses, decode messages, write the books, sneak into (and out of) libraries, smuggle manuscripts to my editor, and try to escape from my enemies and/or their representatives.

**DANIEL HANDLER:** I talk to people interested in Mr. Snicket's work when he is unable to be there, and I do some light housekeeping.

**Mr. Snicket, what do you think of Mr. Handler's efforts to stop people from reading these books? He hasn't been very successful.**

**SNICKET:** My representative has done all he possibly can to convince people to put these books down, but he is constantly thwarted, a word which here means "seeing his efforts ruined by a small group of depraved individuals who think these books are appropriate for anyone—including children—to read."

**Is it all business or do the two of you ever just get together to play cards or go grocery shopping?**

**HANDLER:** Mr. Snicket and I have played cards on a number of occasions, but a grocery store is no place for secret meetings. The cereals have eyes, if you know what I mean.

**Mr. Handler, what do you say when people accuse you and Lemony Snicket of being the same person?**

**HANDLER:** To such people I say, "My Lord! What's that behind you?"

And when their backs are turned, I escape from the conversation.

**Do the two of you ever not see eye to eye? (wink, wink)**

**SNICKET:** Why are you winking at me? I'm disturbed. Is there something in your eye? Are you trying to say that you, NICKELODEON MAGAZINE, find me physically attractive? Stop this inappropriate behavior at once!

**What are some of the best hiding places when running from nefarious secret organizations?**

**SNICKET:** I would hardly print my favorite hiding places in a magazine anyone could read, but I will give you a hint: One of them rhymes with *bunderneath the farpet*.

**HANDLER:** Another rhymes with *Zelsinki*.

Just don't take the fouch.

**What are you doing to stop people from seeing the movie?**

**SNICKET:** I am announcing that there is no movie after all, which is true. There is no movie, particularly one appearing in theaters everywhere on December seventeenth of this year. I am not lying.

**HANDLER:** Neither am I.

**What kind of movies do you like?**

**HANDLER:** I enjoy the occasional monster in a film.

**SNICKET:** Please don't frighten me, Mr. Handler. I prefer films devoid of monsters, including mummies and Jennifer Love Hewitt. I enjoy a film featuring odd mechanical devices and/or musical extravaganzas.

**What snacks do you eat at the movies?**

**SNICKET:** The food served in movie theaters is terrible. I prefer to go without food in movie theaters, no matter what you may have heard.

**HANDLER:** Mr. Snicket taught me a number of tricks to smuggle food into movie theaters. Recently, he and I enjoyed some caviar served with crackers and crème fraîche, followed by some hot-and-sour soup. The trick is to put such things in a bag and wrap your coat loosely around the bag. If you are caught, burst into tears. Nobody knows what to do when a grown man bursts into tears.

**Which of you is the more unfortunate person?**

**HANDLER:** I recently received a paper cut.

**SNICKET:** Just one? I have two of them, and that's only counting my left hand.

**Mr. Snicket, is there a code hidden somewhere in your answers?**

**SNICKET:** Certainly (KS—please leave the key in R's wine cellar) not. □



SLIPPERY SNICKET: This may be Lemony Snicket.

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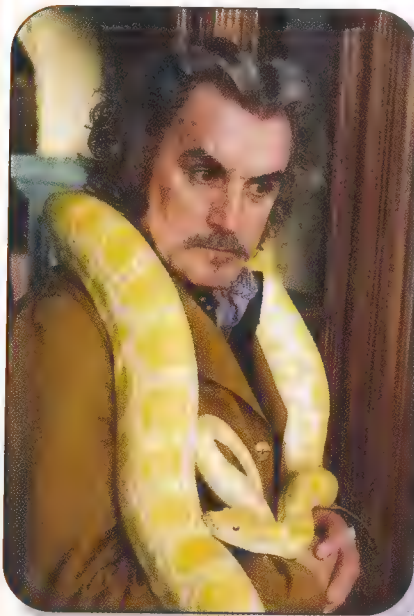


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### Dress the Part

Colleen Atwood, the movie's costume designer, had about 30 copies of the same dress made for Sunny, the youngest Baudelaire (*above*). There were several toddlers playing the role, and, as Colleen explained, "Being babies, they do things to their dresses, like throw up and get poop on them." □

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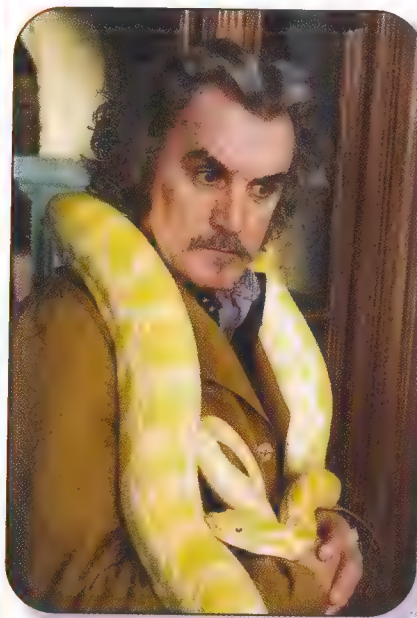


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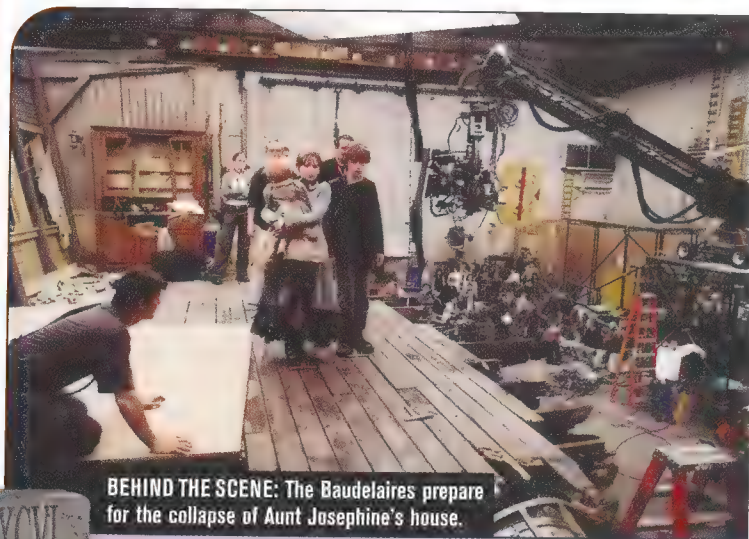
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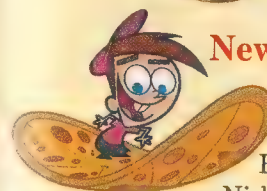
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## She Talks Tak

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Candace Bailey (right) is one of the hosts of *U-Pick Live*. Last summer, she took on a new role and recorded the part of Fauna in the video game *Tak 2: The Staff of Dreams*. We *taked* with Candace about her newest role.

#### NICKELODEON MAGAZINE: Does Fauna sound like the real you?

CANDACE BAILEY: Yes, but with a little more toughness—a little more attitude.

#### If you could become any animal, what would you choose and why?

If I couldn't turn into my dog, who's pampered and lives like a little princess, then I would choose a monkey. Monkeys are fun—they can swing around all the time. I was a gymnast, so I would like to be able to swing from tree to tree and go wherever. □





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<b>5</b> <b>Something Sunny #1</b> The temperature at the surface of the sun is about 10,000°F. (But lightning is about five times hotter.)	<b>12</b> Kenya gains its independence from Britain, 1963 <b>Mark this spot on your calendar.</b>	<b>7</b> Gian Lorenzo Bernini, Italian sculptor, born, 1598 <b>He was a chip off the old block.</b> HANUKKAH BEGINS	<b>1</b> James Naismith invents the game of basketball, 1891 <b>The court was in session.</b>	<b>2</b> The first artificial heart is successfully implanted, 1982 <b>The patient had a change of heart.</b>	<b>3</b> Charles Alfred Pillsbury, cofounder of the Pillsbury Co., born, 1842 <b>Soon he made a lot of dough.</b>	<b>4</b> 
<b>19</b> <b>Something Sunny #3</b> Light from the sun takes about eight minutes to reach the Earth.	<b>13</b> The first inflatable automobile tires are patented, 1892 <b>Everybody was pumped.</b>	<b>14</b> Nostradamus, author of a book of prophecies, born, 1503 <b>We knew this was going to happen.</b>	<b>8</b> The Florida Supreme Court orders a count by hand of 45,000 presidential ballots, 2000 <b>It was a supreme pain to do.</b>	<b>9</b> 	<b>10</b> Raven-Symone, actress, born, 1985 <b>Her parents must have been raven about her.</b>	<b>11</b> Venetian blinds are patented, 1769 <b>It was curtains for curtains.</b>
<b>26</b> 	<b>20</b> Naturalist Charles Darwin sets sail on the HMS Beagle, 1831 <b>He went to fetch some research.</b>	<b>21</b> The Pilgrims land at Plymouth Rock, Massachusetts, 1620 <b>Rock on.</b>	<b>15</b> <b>Something Sunny #2</b> The sun is almost halfway through its life. It still has enough fuel to last another five billion years.	<b>16</b> Benjamin Bratt, actor, born, 1963 <b>What a bratt!</b>	<b>17</b> 	<b>18</b> Brad Pitt, actor, born, 1964 <b>Brad news travels fast.</b>
<b>27</b> 	<b>28</b> Chewing gum is patented, 1869 <b>The undersides of desks were never the same again.</b>	<b>29</b> <b>Something Sunny #4</b> The sun is so much bigger than the Earth that it would take 1.3 million Earths to fill it.	<b>22</b> 	<b>23</b> Clement C. Moore's poem <i>A Visit From St. Nicholas</i> is published, 1823 <b>'Twas the night before this became a famous poem.</b>	<b>24</b> Ryan Seacrest, <i>American Idol</i> host, born, 1974 <b>Seacrest...in!</b> CHRISTMAS EVE	<b>25</b> Christmas Day <b>There's no time like the present.</b>
<b>28</b> 	<b>29</b> 	<b>30</b> 	<b>31</b> New Year's Eve <b>No more 2-0-0-4.</b>	<b>31</b> 		



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Conner H., age 11  
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<p><b>2</b></p> <p>The Chrysler Corporation introduces the Neon compact car, 1994</p> <p><b>Did it glow in the dark?</b></p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p>The Nokia Sugar Bowl is played in New Orleans, Louisiana</p> <p><b>Will the players get one lump or two?</b></p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p><b>11 The Bear Facts #2</b></p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p>Operation begins on the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco, 1983</p> <p><b>is spanned out.</b></p>	<p><b>6 The Bear Facts #1</b></p>	<p><b>7</b></p> <p>Liam Aiken, actor, born, 1990</p> <p><b>It was a fortunate event.</b></p>	<p><b>1</b></p> <p>NEW YEAR'S DAY</p>
<p><b>9</b></p> <p><b>10</b></p> <p>George Foreman, heavyweight boxing champion, born, 1948</p> <p><b>Were his parents hoping for a little grill?</b></p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p><b>12</b></p> <p>Jeff Bezos, founder of Amazon.com, born, 1964</p> <p><b>Was he on his parents' wish list?</b></p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>Orlando Bloom, actor, born, 1977</p> <p><b>He was the fruit of the Blooms.</b></p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p><b>21 The Bear Facts #3</b></p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>The Pentagon building is completed, 1943</p> <p><b>Give them a high five.</b></p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>Albert Pujols, baseball player, born, 1980</p> <p><b>Did his parents drive him home?</b></p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>The first soup kitchens, serving the poor, are opened in London, 1800</p> <p><b>Show a ladle tenderness.</b></p>
<p><b>17</b></p> <p>Benjamin Franklin, U.S. statesman, born, 1706</p> <p><b>Early to crib, early to cry, makes a baby want a kite to fly.</b></p> <p>MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY</p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>Captain Cook arrives the Sandwich Islands, called Hawaii, 1770</p> <p><b>Didn't the bread get all sandy?</b></p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p>Florida Citrus Festival begins in Winter Haven, Florida</p> <p><b>Get mixed to it.</b></p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p>LaMarcus A. Thompson patents one of the first roller coasters, 1885</p> <p><b>He was on the right track.</b></p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p><b>22</b></p> <p>The Pentagon building is completed, 1943</p> <p><b>Give them a high five.</b></p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p><b>30</b></p> <p><b>31</b></p>	<p><b>24</b></p> <p><b>25</b></p> <p>The United Mine Workers of America is founded, 1890</p> <p><b>We dug this.</b></p>
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John G., age 12  
Jackson City, Pennsylvania

**Boy thinking:** Dang it! I'm late for superhero lessons again!

Becca P., age 12  
Middlefield, Connecticut

**Boy thinking:** Good job, Mom. Now make them clean my room!

Chet W., age 8  
Butler, Pennsylvania

**Boy thinking:** Um...why are these people in my swimming pool?

Victoria B., age 13  
Media, California

**Boy thinking:** Why do they have to do the macarena everywhere I go?\*

Conner H., age 11  
Fort Collins, Colorado

**Boy thinking:** My creations, they live! *Mwa-ha-ha!*

Katherine R., age 12  
Stephens City, Virginia

**Boy thinking:** If I just back away slowly, maybe the zombies won't notice me.\*

Katherine M., age 11  
Baltimore, Maryland

\*We received several entries like this one.



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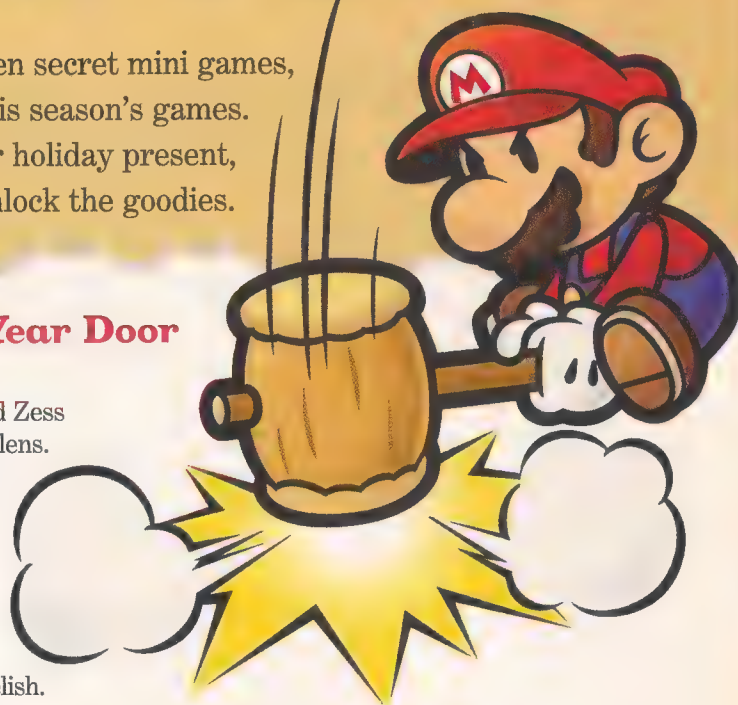
Video game programmers have hidden secret mini games, characters, and movies in many of this season's games. If one of these titles turns up as your holiday present, use our tips and tricks to help you unlock the goodies.

## Paper Mario: The Thousand-Year Door

### For GameCube:

- Early in the game, you'll meet a cranky toad named Zess T. who blocks your way until you buy her a contact lens. Once you do, she'll be happy to cook for you whenever you bring her ingredients. Her cooking generally makes any item more powerful, but she can cook with only one ingredient.

**Here's how you can turn her into a master:** Take on her trouble at the Trouble Center, and she'll speak about a famous cookbook written by chef Maitre Delish. To get it, go to Creepy Steeple and walk through the main doors. In the main hall, look for the low gap on the northern wall. You can pass through it by rolling up into a tube. Roll inside, open a chest, and get the cookbook. Take it back to Zess T. and she'll be able to cook with two ingredients. She can produce all kinds of power-ups if you give her the right ingredients, so try many combinations.



- In Rogueport Harbor, a green Ratooney named Lumpy will tell you about his oil-prospecting quest and try to get you to invest. It may sound like a scam, but he's no crook. When he strikes oil in Dry Dry Desert, he'll pay you back handsomely, so help him out if you can spare the cash.

## Crash Twinsanity

### For PlayStation 2 and Xbox:

- When fighting Cortex in Jungle Bungle, wait for him to shoot the charged Plasma blast. If you perform a Spin attack, you'll knock the blasts back at him.
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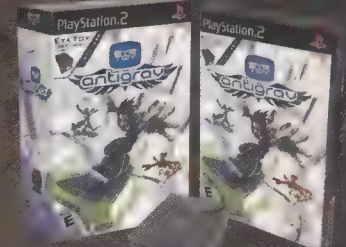
- In the Coastal Remains in Realm 2 (Lost Cities), enter the cave between the Teleporter and Moneybags's shop. Follow it out to a beach and go toward your right. Along the cliff wall will be a breakable wall, which leads to the Turtle Mother mini game.
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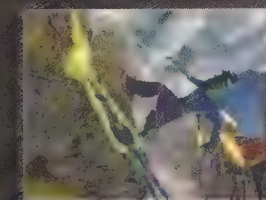
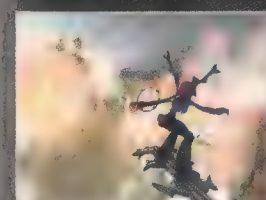
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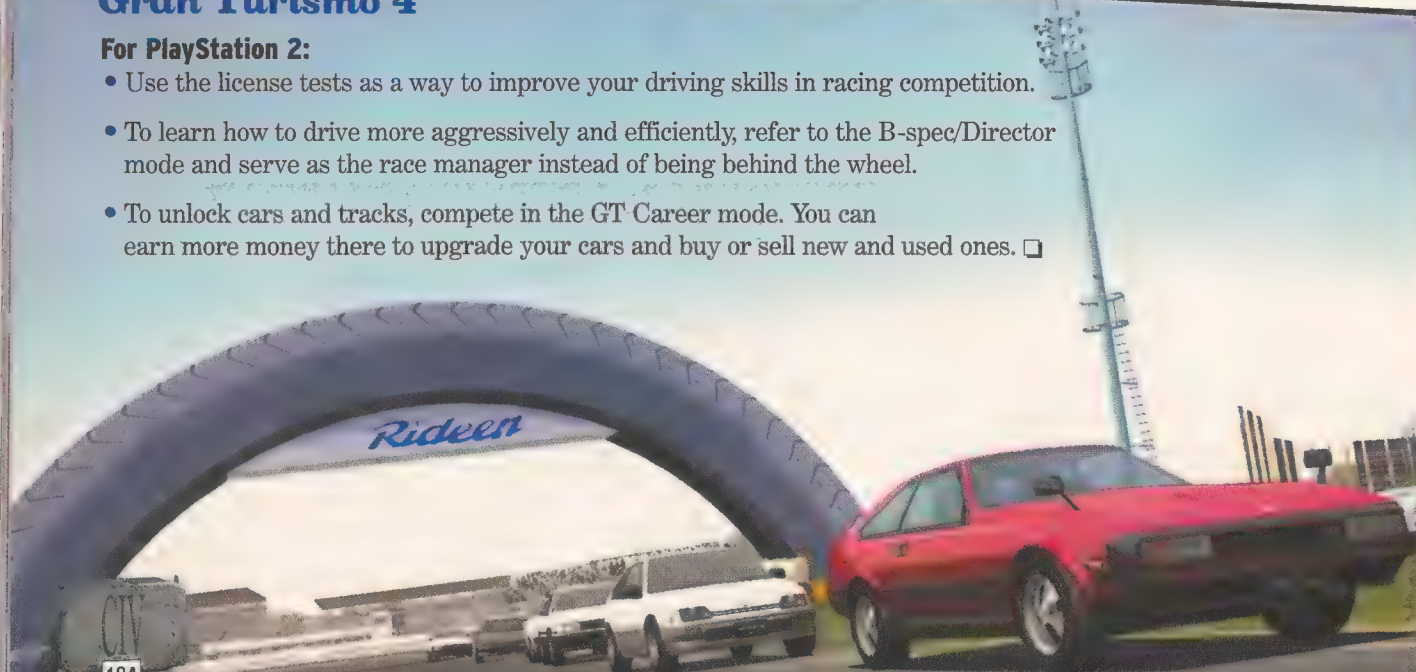


- Take note of what's on each shield in the Great Hall (above). Each one was created by a Penvellyn and designed to point keen observers in the right direction.
- If it's day and you wish it were night, or if it's night and you wish it were day, set the alarm clock in your room for the time you prefer. But this means you have to sleep, and at Blackmoor Manor, dreams are often more like nightmares...

### Gran Turismo 4

For PlayStation 2:

- Use the license tests as a way to improve your driving skills in racing competition.
- To learn how to drive more aggressively and efficiently, refer to the B-spec/Director mode and serve as the race manager instead of being behind the wheel.
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- To unlock the evil character Tlaloc in the Dinky games, collect 2 fruits, 363 crystals, and 99 bugs, then enter these amounts in the Juju Potion screen.
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### The Incredibles

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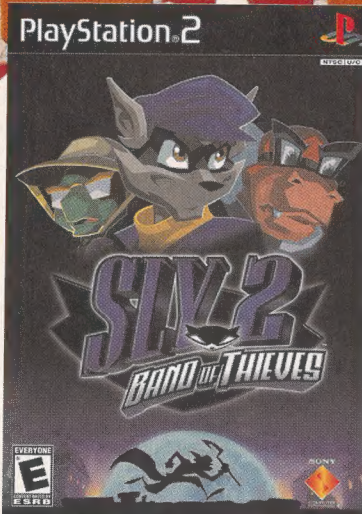


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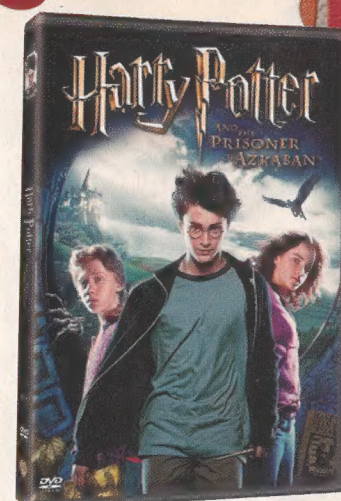
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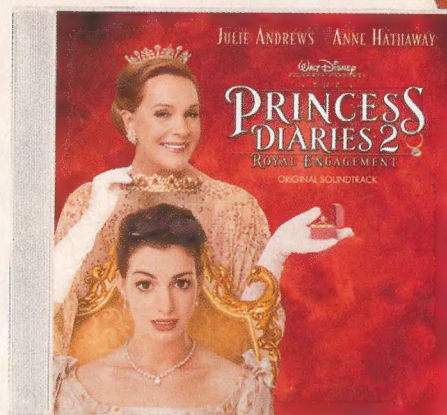
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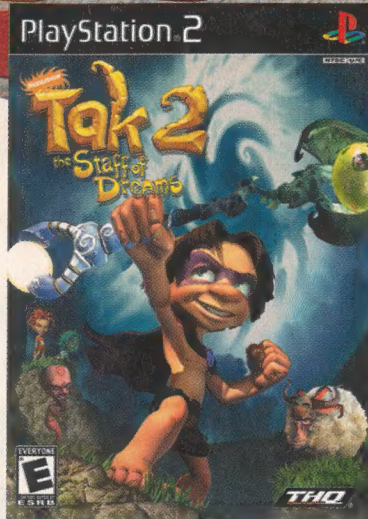


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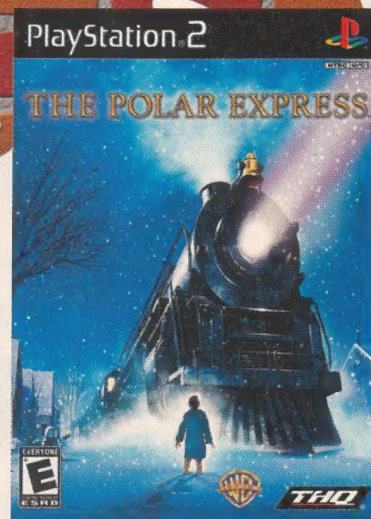
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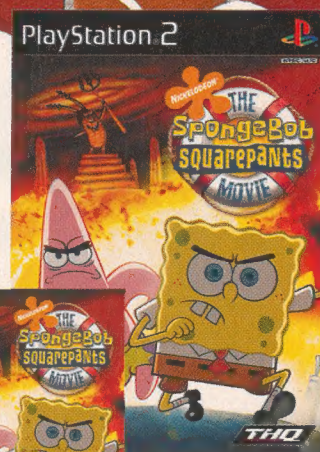
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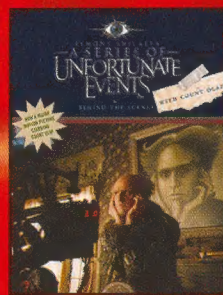
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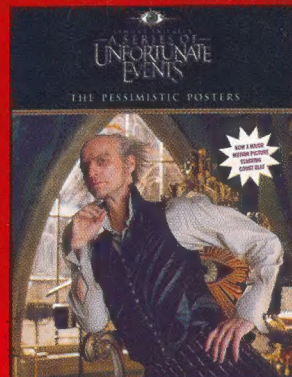


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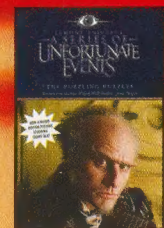
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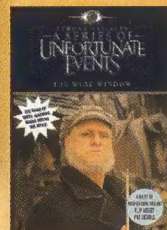
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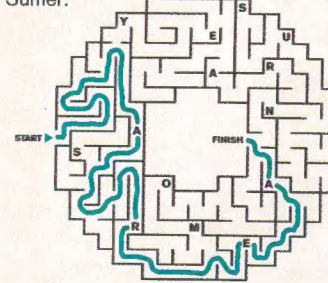
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In One Era, Out the Other (pages 28-9):

1. Sumer:



### GOOF TROUPE:

We forgot to include the answer to November's "Funky & Miriam's House of Random Words" (page 102). The correct definition of *sinecure* is 1—a job that requires doing little or no work but that provides an income. We're going to look up *apologize* now.

Key word: **area**.

2. Egypt: The words in the pyramid (from top to bottom) are **a, as, sea, aces, scale**. Key word: **scale**.

3. Central America: Rock band **Blink-182**; Number of months with 31 days: **7**; Rings in the Olympic symbol: **5**; Three dozen: **36**; Planets in the solar system: **9**. Key word: **forty**.

4. China: The matching pictures are **E** and **M**. Key word: **soul**.

5. The Present: The message from Professor Wells is **"You are late for class!"**

**A Tomb With a View (page 67):** 1—*The Apprentice*, 2—*The Simple Life*, 3—*Yu-Gi-Oh!*, 4—*American Idol*, 5—*Harry Potter*, 6—*Trading Spaces*, 7—*Spider-Man*, 8—*Star Wars*, 9—*The Simpsons*, 10—*The O.C.*

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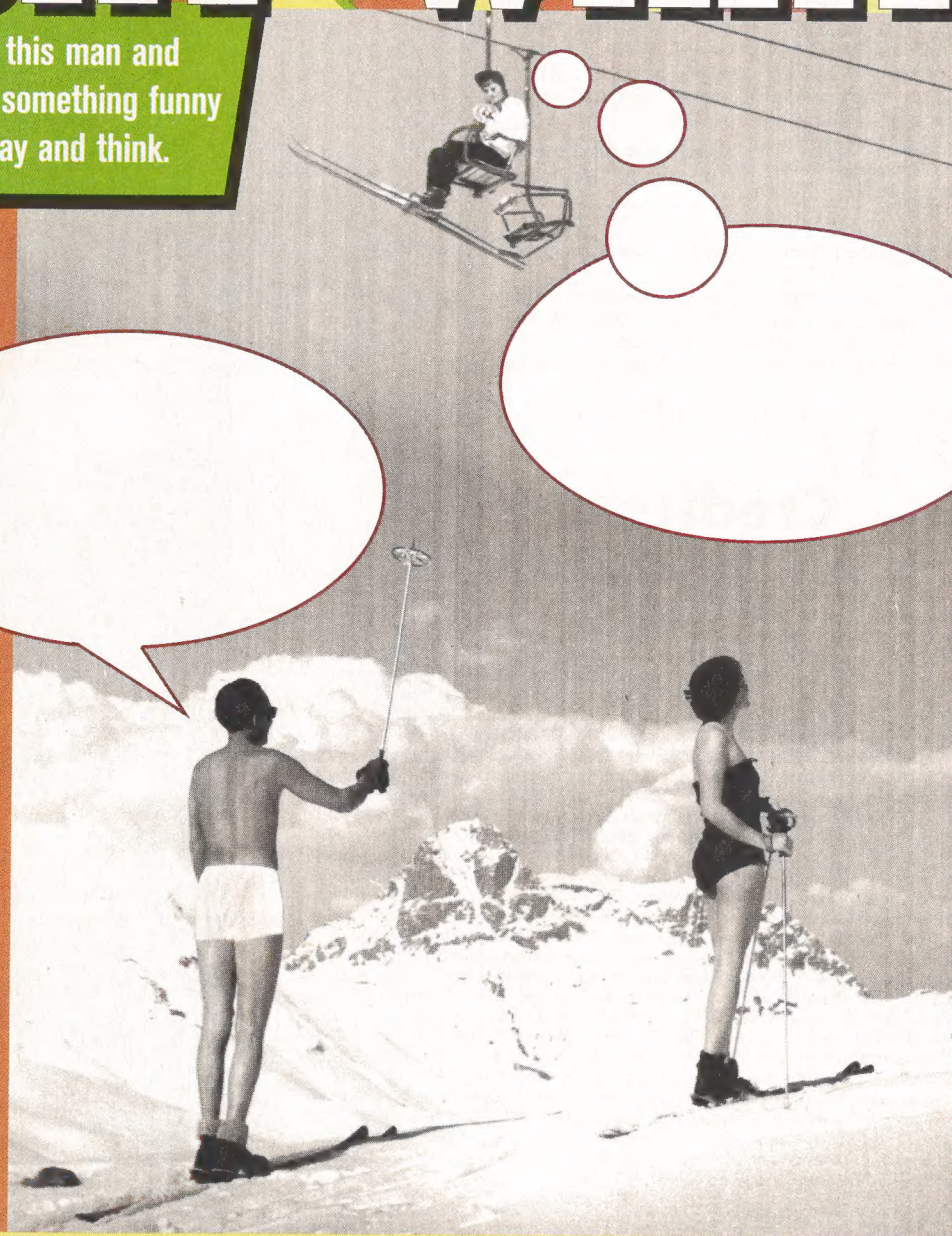
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